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Martis, 19<sup>o</sup> die Februarii, 1799.

SEVERAL of the members of the assembly being met, according to proclamation, and being informed by Mr. Lewis, clerk to the assembly, that he had received a letter from Mr. Speaker, desiring him to acquaint the members that he was, from extreme indisposition, yet incapable of attending in the chair, and to request that they would choose a speaker, *pro tempore*, till his health would permit him to attend: House meets.

Mr. Cuthbert and Mr. Thompson were desired to wait on his honour the lieutenant-governor, and acquaint him therewith; and to desire his honour would be pleased to give leave to proceed to the choice of a speaker, *pro tempore*; who returning, reported, that his honour was pleased to give leave accordingly:

Whereupon the members unanimously chose Kean Osborn, esquire, their speaker, *pro tempore*; who being conducted to the chair; Speaker, *pro tempore*, chosen.

Mr. Cuthbert and Mr. Redwood were desired to wait on his honour the lieutenant-governor, and acquaint him, that the members had made choice of a speaker, *pro tempore*, and to know when they should attend his honour, to present him; who returning, reported, that his honour was pleased to say, immediately:

Whereupon the house attended his honour, and presented their speaker, *pro tempore*; who being approved of, and being returned;

A message from his honour the lieutenant-governor, in council, by the provost-marshal, commanding, in the king's name, the attendance of the house, in the council-chamber, immediately: Message to attend his honour.

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Whereupon



Whereupon Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, and the whole house, went up; and being returned;

*Dedimus.*

A message from his honour the lieutenant-governor, in council, by the clerk of the council, who brought down a *dedimus*, directed to the speaker, *pro tempore*, empowering him to administer the usual oaths to such members of the present assembly as have not been already sworn, and to hear and see them repeat and subscribe the test.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, reports his honour's speech.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, reported, that the house had attended his honour the lieutenant-governor, in the council-chamber, and that his honour was pleased to make a speech; of which Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, said he had, to prevent mistakes, obtained a copy; and the same being read, was ordered to be entered, and is as follows:

"GENTLEMEN OF THE COUNCIL,

"MR. SPEAKER, AND GENTLEMEN OF THE ASSEMBLY,

"I most sincerely congratulate you, that the news of the most splendid and important naval victory, which ever graced the annals of the world, has since our last meeting been officially confirmed.

"As it reflects the greatest lustre upon the British character, we must be elated at its glory, and may cherish the hope that, from its happy consequence, this island will derive its share of benefit.

"MR. SPEAKER, AND GENTLEMEN OF THE ASSEMBLY,

"I rely with confidence on your voting the supplies necessary for the support of his majesty's troops, and the civil administration of the colony.

"The exigencies of government for these purposes are becoming urgent, and require to be indulged with your earliest attention and dispatch.

"GENTLEMEN OF THE COUNCIL,

"MR. SPEAKER, AND GENTLEMEN OF THE ASSEMBLY,

"I recommend to your consideration, the propriety of giving liberal encouragement to the making of public roads of communication, as the surest means of extending the cultivation, enhancing the value, and securing the tranquillity of this valuable island."

Motion for address on his honour's speech.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed, to prepare an humble address to his honour the lieutenant-governor, for his speech at the opening of the session:

*Ordered,*

That Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Francklyn, Mr. Stewart, and Mr. Thompson, be a committee for that purpose:

*Ordered,*

That his honour's speech be referred to the said committee.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, laid before the house, a letter from Mr. Swaby, mentioning



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tioning, that he was, from indisposition, unable to attend in his place, and requesting leave of absence during the present session: Leave of absence to Mr. Swaby.

Ordered,

That he have leave of absence accordingly.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, laid before the house a letter from the agent of John Beaufin Irving, esquire, stating his extreme illness, and expressing his intention to decline all further proceedings in the scrutiny demanded by him, upon the late election in the parish of Trelawny. Trelawny scrutiny declined.

Ordered,

That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

"We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to desire you will be pleased to give directions to the receiver-general, to attend the house with the public books of accounts." Public books of accounts to be laid before the house.

Ordered,

That Mr. Stewart and Mr. Tharp be a committee to wait on his honour with the above message; who returning, reported the delivery thereof, and that his honour was pleased to say, he would give directions accordingly.

Ordered,

That the rules agreed to by the house, on the second day of the last session, be the standing rules of the house during the present session, except the second rule, and, in lieu thereof, that twenty-one be a quorum, to act as if all the members were present, and to proceed to all business. Rules of the house.

Ordered,

That all standing committees of the last session be revived.

Ordered,

That the several committees to whom petitions and accounts were referred by the house, during the last session, do proceed in the examination and settlement of the same, and make their reports accordingly. Standing committees.

Ordered,

That the secretary of this island do forthwith send unto the house, the several original laws of this island, now in his custody. Original laws to be sent unto the house; and,

Ordered,

That the clerk appointed by the commissioners of correspondence, do forthwith send unto the house all books, papers, and writings, now in his custody, belonging to the said commissioners. Books, &c. of commissioners of correspondence.

Resolved,

That this house will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take into consideration the state of the island: Resolution for committee on state of the island.

Ordered,

That all reports, petitions, and accounts, which stood referred to the said committee,



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mittee, at the time of the late prorogation, be inquired into and taken into consideration during the present session.

*Resolved,*

Votes to be printed.

That Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, do authorize any person to print the votes of this session, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

KEAN OSBORN, *Speaker, pro tempore.*

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Draught of address to his honour presented;

*Prayers.* MR. Cuthbert, from the committee, appointed to prepare an humble address to his honour the lieutenant-governor, for his speech at the opening of the session, reported the same, which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where being again read;

*Resolved,*

Committed;

That the said address be committed to a committee of the whole house, immediately:

Then the house resolved itself into such committee.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, left the chair.

Mr. Cuthbert took the chair of the committee:

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, resumed the chair.

Reported;

Mr. Cuthbert, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the address, and had made one amendment thereto, which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where being again read, was agreed unto by the house:

*Ordered,*

Engrossed.

That the said address, with the amendment, be engrossed.

Petition from St. Elizabeth.

A petition of the freeholders, and other inhabitants, of the parish of St. Elizabeth, was presented to the house, and read, setting forth,

“ That there is a very extensive tract of uncultivated land, between One-Eye estate and the new ground barracks, on the borders of Clarendon, through which Hector's and several small rivers run, well adapted to the culture of sugar, coffee, and Guinea-grass:

“ That, since the termination of the maroon war, several settlements were commenced on the banks of Hector's River, and others were in contemplation to be made, but the depredations and murders, committed by the rebellious runaway negroes on those settlements, have totally put a stop to the progress of cultivation, and retarded the spirit of enterprise:

“ That the petitioners, with great satisfaction, have been informed of the very salutary resolutions of the house, to settle troops in the interior of the island, knowing, as the petitioners do, that until such a measure is carried into execution, no improvement can be undertaken in the aforesaid most valuable district:

“ That



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"That the petitioners represent the aforefaid circumstances to the house, to shew the propriety and necessity of having such settlements made by those troops, which will ensure the safety, cultivation, and prosperity, of the island; and therefore pray for such relief in the premises, as to the house shall seem meet."

*Ordered,*

That the above petition be referred to Mr. Spooner, Mr. Stewart, and Mr. Thompson, that they inquire into the allegations therein set forth, and report the facts, with their opinion thereon, to the house.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed, to prepare and bring in a bill to prevent any intercourse and communication between the slaves of this island, and foreign slaves of a certain description; Foreign slaves.

*Ordered,*

That Mr. Quier, Mr. Grant, Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Macleod, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Stewart, and Mr. Cockburn, be a committee for that purpose. Bill ordered.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed, to prepare and bring in a bill for establishing regulations respecting persons of a certain description, arriving in this island, or resident therein, in certain cases; Aliens.

*Ordered,*

That Mr. Quier, Mr. Grant, Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Macleod, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Stewart, and Mr. Cockburn, be a committee for that purpose. Bill ordered.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed, to prepare and bring in a bill to explain and amend an act, passed in the year 1797, entitled, "An act for laying a duty on all negro slaves that shall be imported into this island, from the coast of Africa, who shall be above a certain age; and for regulating the manner of ascertaining such age;" Amended new negro duty.

*Ordered,*

That Mr. Shaw, Mr. Cuthbert, and Mr. Thompson, be a committee for that purpose. Bill ordered.

*Resolved,*

That this house will not receive any business of a private nature, during the present session. No private business to be received.

*Ordered,*

That the above resolution of the house be published in the Royal Gazette, for two weeks.

*Ordered,*

That there be a call of the house, on Tuesday next.

Call of the house.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Ashman to print these Notes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

KEAN OSBORN, *Speaker*, pro tempore.

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THE engrossed address to his honour the lieutenant-governor was read, in the words following:

Engrossed address "JAMAICA, ff.

"To the right honourable ALEXANDER earl of BALCARRES, lieutenant-governor and commander in chief of this his majesty's island of Jamaica, and the territories thereon depending in America, chancellor and vice-admiral of the same,

"THE HUMBLE ADDRESS OF THE ASSEMBLY.

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

"We, his majesty's dutiful and loyal subjects, the assembly of Jamaica, thank your honour for your speech at the opening of the present session.

"The very splendid and important naval victory, obtained by his majesty's fleet under the command of rear-admiral lord Nelson, is an event which not only adds the greatest lustre to the British arms and character, but also gives the best founded hopes of producing the happiest consequences; in which, we trust, his majesty's loyal subjects in this colony will participate.

"We shall proceed, with the utmost diligence, in making the usual provision for the support of his majesty's troops, and the civil administration of the island.

"We perfectly agree with your honour, in the propriety of giving liberal encouragement, to the making of public roads of communication in all parts of the island, as the surest means of increasing the settlement and population, and adding to the security of this valuable colony."

Resolved,

passed.

That the said address do pass:

Ordered,

Message to his honour.

That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

"We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to acquaint you, that having an humble address to present, they desire to know when your honour will please to be attended."

Ordered,

His honour appoints to be attended by the house.

That Mr. Dawson and Mr. Perry be a committee to wait on his honour with the above message; who returning, reported the delivery thereof, and that his honour was pleased to say, in half an hour.

Resolved, nem. con.

Freelawny petition.

That in consideration of the report made to the house, on the 30th day of November last, from the committee to whom the petition of the freeholders and other inhabitants of the town of Falmouth was referred, and of the order of the house thereon, leave be now given to bring in a bill agreeably thereto:

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Then Mr. Stewart, in his place, presented to the house, a bill for removing the fort, magazine, and barracks, at Falmouth, in Trelawny, for the purchasing of lands adjoining the said town, and erecting new buildings thereon of the like description; and for other purposes; which was received, and read the first time:

Bill to remove Fort-Balcarras presented.

Ordered,

That the said bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

The half hour being expired, Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, and the whole house, went up to attend his honour the lieutenant-governor, to present their address; and being returned,

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, reported, that the house had attended his honour the lieutenant-governor, and presented their address, to which his honour was pleased to return an answer; of which, Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, said he had, to prevent mistakes, obtained a copy; and the same being read, was ordered to be entered, and is as follows:

House attend his honour, and present address.

“ MR. SPEAKER, AND GENTLEMEN OF THE ASSEMBLY,

Lieutenant-governor's answer.

“ I thank you for this address; which, in all respects, gives me infinite pleasure, and I assure you I receive it with the greatest cordiality.”

Resolved,

That this house do immediately resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, to take into consideration his honour the lieutenant-governor's speech at the opening of the session:

Committee of whole house on his honour's speech, report two resolutions.

Then the house resolved itself into such committee:

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, left the chair.

Mr. Cuthbert took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, resumed the chair.

Mr. Cuthbert, from the committee, reported two resolutions, which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where being again severally read, were agreed unto by the house, and are as follows:

1. That it be recommended to the house, to appoint a committee, to prepare and bring in a bill to oblige the several inhabitants of this island, to provide themselves with a sufficient number of white men, white women, or white children, or pay certain sums of money in case they shall be deficient, and applying the same to several uses:

Deficiency,

Ordered,

That Mr. Thompson, Mr. Shaw, and Mr. Quier, be a committee for that purpose.

Bill ordered.

2. That it be recommended to the house, to appoint a committee, to prepare and bring in a bill for raising a tax by the poll, and on trades, supercargoes, and masters of vessels, and on offices and houses, and on certain wheel-carriages; and applying the same to several uses:

Poll-tax,

Ordered,

That Mr. Perry, Mr. Quier, and Mr. Dawson, be a committee for that purpose.

Bill ordered.

A message from his honour the lieutenant-governor, by his secretary, as follows:

“ MR.



“ MR. SPEAKER,

Message from lieutenant-governor, respecting messages of last session.

“ I am commanded by the lieutenant-governor to remind the house, that, during the last sessions, he had the honour to send to them several messages, with sundry papers thereunto annexed :

“ I am now ordered by his honour to inform the house, that he requests that the undermentioned messages, and the papers which accompanied them, may be taken into their consideration during the present sessions :

His two messages of the	-	8th November.
His second message of the	-	13th ditto.
His three messages of the	-	15th ditto.
His first message of the	-	20th ditto.
His second and third messages of the	-	28th ditto.
His two messages of the	-	30th ditto.
His second message of the	-	4th December.
His first message of the	-	19th ditto.
His second and third messages of the	-	19th ditto.”

Ordered,

Referred to committee on state of the island, who

That the above message be referred to the committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take into consideration the state of the island :

Then the house resolved itself into such committee :

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, left the chair.

Mr. Thompson took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, resumed the chair.

report one resolution.

Mr. Thompson, from the committee, reported one resolution, which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table ; where being again read, was agreed unto by the house, and is as follows :

That it be recommended to the house, to send a message to his honour the lieutenant-governor, to acquaint him, that the house will proceed to take into their consideration the several papers recommended by his honour, in his message of this day.

Then Mr. Thompson acquainted the house, that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again :

Resolved,

That this house will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

Ordered,

His honour's messages of last session referred.

That the several messages of his honour the lieutenant-governor, and their respective enclosures, sent down to the house during the late session, and specified in his honour's message of this day, be referred to the said committee.

Ordered,

That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant governor :

“ MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

Message to his honour.

“ We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to acquaint you, that the house will proceed to take into their consideration the several papers recommended by your honour, in your message of this day.”

Ordered,



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Ordered,

That Mr. Henckell and Mr. Turner be a committee to wait on his honour with the above message; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

Ordered,

That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

*We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to request that you will be pleased to postpone the sailing of the packet, until Monday, the 4th day of March next.*"

Message to his honour, to postpone the packet.

Ordered,

That Mr. Cuthbert and Mr. Macleod be a committee to wait on his honour with the above message; who returning, reported the delivery thereof, and that his honour was pleased to say, he would comply with the request of the house.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Notes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

K E A N O S B O R N, *Speaker, pro tempore.*

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Prayers. **M**R. Thompson, according to order, presented to the house, a bill to oblige the several inhabitants of this island, to provide themselves with a sufficient number of white men, white women, or white children, or pay certain sums of money in case they shall be deficient; and applying the same to several uses; which was received, and read the first time:

Deficiency bill presented.

Ordered,

That the said bill be read a second time, this day.

Mr. Perry, according to order, presented to the house, a bill for raising a tax by the poll, and on trades, supercargoes, and masters of vessels, and on offices and houses, and on certain wheel-carriages; and applying the same to several uses; which was received, and read the first time:

Poll-tax bill presented.

Ordered,

That the said bill be read a second time, this day.

The house adjourned for one quarter of an hour:

Adjournment.

And being met;

The bill to oblige the several inhabitants of this island, to provide themselves with a sufficient number of white men, white women, or white children, or pay certain

Deficiency bill, read second time.

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certain sums of money in case they shall be deficient; and applying the same to several uses; was read a second time:

*Resolved,*

That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house, on Tuesday next.

Poll-tax bill, read second time.

The bill for raising a tax by the poll, and on trades, supercargoes, and masters of vessels, and on offices and houses, and on certain wheel-carriages; and applying the same to several uses, was read a second time:

*Resolved,*

That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house, on Tuesday next.

Report from road committee.

Mr. Shaw, from the committee, appointed to appropriate the grant of 4000*l.* to each county, towards carrying on and completing such internal roads of communication, as may be necessary to encourage settlers to cultivate lands at a distance from the sea, and to whom were referred, during the late session, sundry petitions presented to the house, praying grants of money for the carrying on, completing, and repairing, such roads, reported,

That the committee had taken the said petitions into their consideration, and are of opinion, that the said grant should be appropriated in the following manner:

Appropriations for Surrey.

SURREY.

*St. Andrew.*

The sum of 130*l.* to the order of Alexander Aikman, ——— de Chavannes, Piers Smith, John Murdoch, and James Concanen, or any three of them, towards completing the new road to Cold-Spring, in the parish of St. Andrew.

The sum of 300*l.* to the order of Thomas Cockburn, John Dawson, Dugald Campbell, James Rattray, and Ronald Donald Campbell, or any three of them, towards completing a new road from Stoney-Hill, in the parish of St. Andrew, to Annotto-Bay.

The sum of 100*l.* to the order of Thomas Cockburn, Alexander Ritchie, John Smellie, James Henderson, and Duncan McKellar, or any three of them, towards making a new road, to avoid the rising and falling of a high hill, on the road from Mount-Charles to Wag-Water.

*Port-Royal.*

The sum of 200*l.* to the order of Fairlie Christie, Robert Law, Robert Jackson, Joseph Boyden, and W. J. Tate, or any three of them, towards completing a road from the gate of W. J. Tate, to Mahogany-Hall.

The sum of 400*l.* to the order of John Woolfrys, Bernard La Gourgue, Samuel W. Barnett, Colin McLarty, and George Riches, or any three of them, towards completing the road from Tranquillity to Hope-River.

*St. George.*

The sum of 100*l.* to the order of the honourable Henry Shirley, James Smith, John Hofack, Alexander Gowie, and David Anderson, or any three of them, towards completing the road from Charles-Town to Tranquillity plantation.

The sum of 70*l.* to the order of the honourable Henry Shirley, Henry Russell, Richard Jones, John Murdoch, and Henry Bieman, or any three of them, for the purpose of removing two rocks on the road from Swift-River mountain down Swift-River.

The sum of 500*l.* to the order of the honourable Henry Shirley, James C. Col,  
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thirst, Robert Gray, William Anderson Orgill, and John Murdoch, or any three of them, towards repairing the road from Eden plantation to Silver-Hill.

The sum of 200*l.* to the order of the honourable Henry Shirley, David Sheriff, William Douglas, James Barton, and John King, or any three of them, towards making a new road from Annotto-Bay to form a junction with the Dry-River road.

The sum of 200*l.* to the order of Thomas Cockburn, the honourable Henry Shirley, David Sheriff, James M'Donald, and Henry Marshall, or any three of them, towards repairing the road from Mr. Fox's plantation, in the parish of St. Andrew, to Dry-River, in the parish of St. George.

The sum of 200*l.* to the order of the honourable Henry Shirley, David Sheriff, William Cumming, James Bell, and Dominick Wallh, or any three of them, towards completing the new road from the Dry-River road, to the church, court-house, and place of muster, at Buff-Bay.

The sum of 100*l.* to the order of the honourable Henry Shirley, Henry Russell, Richard Jones, John Murdoch, and Richard Brennan, or any three of them, towards repairing the road from Swift-River to Hope-Bay.

*St. David.*

The sum of 300*l.* to the order of Andrew Deans, Robert Telfer, Samuel Delpratt, William Kerr, Robert Porter, Caleb Tonge, and Henry Stanley, or any three of them, towards repairing the road from Llandewy, to the tenth mile-stone on the windward road.

*Portland.*

The sum of 300*l.* to the order of Charles Bryan, George Fuller, William Burke junior, Thomas Oakley, and William Minot, or any three of them, towards repairing the road from the Bath road, through Old Nanny-Town, to the Swift-River road.

The sum of 200*l.* to the order of George Fuller, William Burke senior, William Burke junior, Thomas Oakley, John M'Lean, William Lumfden, and Martin M'Eachern, or any three of them, towards repairing the Bath road, from Seaman's Valley, to the top of the hill.

The sum of 200*l.* to the order of George Fuller, Thomas Oakley, William Minot, William Galloway, and William Burke senior, or any three of them, towards repairing the road from Rio-Grande, through Stanton Harcourt and Windsor, to Seaman's Valley.

*St. Thomas in the East.*

The sum of 300*l.* to the order of John M'Lean, Martin M'Eachern, James Hamilton, Robert Fergusson, and Lachlan M'Gillivray, or any three of them, towards repairing the road from M'Eachern's plantation, to join the Port-Antonio road.

The sum of 200*l.* to the order of George Fuller, William Burke senior, William Burke junior, Thomas Oakley, John M'Lean, William Lumfden, and Martin M'Eachern, or any three of them, towards repairing the road to Bath, from the top of the hill, on the Seaman's Valley road.

MIDDLESEX.

*St. John.*

Appropriations for  
Middlesex.

The sum of 100*l.* to the order of William Thompson, John Quier, Edmund Jordan, Samuel Queneborough, and Peter Douglas, or any three of them, towards repairing the Luidas road, in the parish of St. John.

The sum of 400*l.* to the order of William Thompson, John Quier, Edmund Jordan, Samuel Queneborough, and Peter Douglas, or any three of them, towards repairing the Guanaboa road, in the parish of St. John.

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The sum of 100*l.* to the order of Philip Redwood, James Lewis, John Wright, Richard Reid, and John Donaldson, or any three of them, towards completing the Crescent road, in the parish of St. John.

*St. Thomas in the Vale.*

The sum of 150*l.* to the order of Lewis Cuthbert, Philip Redwood, Charles Jones, William Caldwell, and Hector M'Kay, or any three of them, towards repairing the Indian-River road, in the parish of St. Thomas in the Vale.

The sum of 200*l.* to the order of Lewis Cuthbert, Robert Page, John Smith, George Ross, and Alexander Fraser, or any three of them, towards repairing the Williamsfield road, in the parish of St. Thomas in the Vale.

*Clarendon.*

The sum of 150*l.* to the order of John Henckell, George Atkinson, William Thompson, John Quier, George M'Kenzie, and Arthur M'Kenzie, or any three of them, towards repairing the Ludlow road, in the parish of Clarendon.

The sum of 150*l.* to the order of John Henckell, Dutton Smith Turner, John Wigan May, William Phillips, John M'Rae, and John Williams, or any three of them, towards repairing the main ridge road, in the parish of Clarendon.

*Vere.*

The sum of 400*l.* to the order of Dutton Smith Turner, John Henckell, William Mitchell, James Craggs, James Mitchell, and Kean Osborn, or any three of them, towards completing the road over the cock-pits, in the parish of Vere.

*St. Mary.*

The sum of 150*l.* to the order of Charles Grant, Thomas Murphy, John M'Kay, William Parker, and John Neilson, or any three of them, towards repairing the Parker's Vale road, in the parish of St. Mary.

The sum of 150*l.* to the order of Charles Grant, Thomas Murphy, Donald M'Bean, W. B. Wheeler, and James Henderson, or any three of them, towards repairing the road from Glen Goffe's, in the parish of St. Thomas in the Vale, into the parish of St. Mary.

The sum of 150*l.* to the order of Charles Grant, Thomas Murphy, Bartholomew Waldren, Joseph Green, and John Matthe, or any three of them, towards repairing the Aleppo road, in the parish of St. Mary.

The sum of 200*l.* to the order of Charles Grant, Thomas Murphy, Joseph Green, Donald M'Bean, and Anthony Yeates, or any three of them, towards repairing the Richmond road, in the parish of St. Mary.

The sum of 150*l.* to the order of Charles Grant, Thomas Murphy, Philip Redwood, Charles Jones, and John Neilson, or any three of them, towards repairing the Indian-River road, in the parish of St. Mary.

The sum of 100*l.* to the order of Charles Grant, Thomas Murphy, David Innes, James Jordan, and Alexander Buchanan, or any three of them, towards repairing the Orange-River road, in the parish of St. Mary.

The sum of 200*l.* to the order of Charles Grant, Thomas Murphy, William Turner, Walter Pollock, and William Burrowes, or any three of them, towards completing the Mortar-Hall road, in the parish of St. Mary.

The sum of 100*l.* to the order of Charles Grant, Thomas Murphy, James Lewis, Robert Hibbert, Donald M'Bean, and Bartholomew Waldren, or any three of them, towards repairing the road from Lewisburgh works, to join the Koningburgh road, in the parish of St. Mary.

The sum of 50*l.* to the order of Charles Grant, Thomas Murphy, Lawrence Hunter, Alexander Ritchie, and John Smellie, or any three of them, towards repairing the road leading from Hunter's mountain, in the parish of St. Mary.

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The sum of 250*l.* to the order of Charles Grant, Thomas Murphy, David Shaw, Caleb Tonge, and Francis M'Dermot, or any three of them, towards repairing the Guy's Hill road, in the parish of St. Mary.

The sum of 50*l.* to the order of Charles Grant, Thomas Murphy, Robert Hibbert, and John Thompson, or any three of them, towards repairing the Belmont road, in the parish of St. Mary.

The sum of 50*l.* to the order of Charles Grant, Thomas Murphy, William Turner, William Burrowes, Walter Pollock, and John Neilson, or any three of them, towards repairing the Hopewell road, in the parish of St. Mary.

The sum of 100*l.* to the order of Charles Grant, Thomas Murphy, John M'Kay, Walter Pollock, and George Harison, or any three of them, towards repairing the road from Palmeto-Grove to Guy's hill, in the parish of St. Mary.

*St. Ann.*

The sum of 250*l.* to the order of Alexander Fullerton, James Henry, Richard Wollaston, William Voce, and John Scarlett, or any three of them, towards completing the Winefield road, in the parish of St. Ann.

The sum of 400*l.* to the order of Alexander Fullerton, James Henry, James Dick, Richard Wollaston, and William Voce, or any three of them, towards completing the Pedro-River road, in the parish of St. Ann.

CORNWALL.

*St. Elizabeth.*

Appropriations for  
Cornwall.

The sum of 200*l.* to the order of the reverend Thomas Warren, and to Charles Rowe, Robert Glasgow, Hyem Cohen, and Alexander Girdwood, or any three of them, towards completing the Chesterfield road, in the parish of St. Elizabeth.

The sum of 200*l.* to the order of Charles Rowe, Robert Glasgow, William Webb, Isaac Allen, and Alexander Girdwood, or any three of them, towards completing the Eldersley road, in the parish of St. Elizabeth.

The sum of 200*l.* to the order of the reverend Thomas Warren, and to John White, Robert Glasgow, James Davy, and John Davy, or any three of them, towards completing the Mile-Gully road, in the parish of St. Elizabeth.

The sum of 200*l.* to the order of John White, John Griffiths, William Kellet Hewitt, Richard Boucher, and Duncan Stewart, or any three of them, towards completing the road over Mayday-hill, in the parish of St. Elizabeth.

*Westmorland.*

The sum of 150*l.* to the order of William Ricketts Johnson, Samuel Jeffries, George Wickey, Robert Delap, and David Bell, or any three of them, towards completing the road from Parker's Bay to Lenox plantation, commonly called the Bogue road, in the parish of Westmorland.

The sum of 200*l.* to the order of the honourable George Murray, William Ricketts Johnson, John Graham, James Macintosh, and Thomas Williams, or any three of them, towards completing the road from the Frame, in the parish of Westmorland, over the hills above Dean's Valley, to Carpenter's Hill, in the said parish of Westmorland.

The sum of 200*l.* to the order of sir David Kinloch, baronet, and to James Macintosh, James Stewart, Samuel Jeffries, and James Fergusson, or any three of them, towards completing the road leading through Darlston and Lenox plantations, in the parish of Westmorland, to the line of St. Elizabeth.

The sum of 250*l.* to the order of the honourable George Murray, William Ricketts Johnson, Philip Finnock, Christopher Senior, and Christopher William Hutchinson, or any three of them, towards completing the road leading from the



Line of St. Elizabeth, through Cillsden, Ackendown, and Robin's River, to Little-River, in the parish of Westmorland.

*Hanover.*

The sum of 300*l.* to the order of Richard Haughton Reid, Thomas Partridge Tharp, William Hudson, Philip Anglin Scarlett, and John Willey, or any three of them, for completing the road from Flint-River, through Kildare, to intersect the road to Content estate, in lady Clarke's pen, in the parish of Hanover.

The sum of 500*l.* to the order of Richard Haughton Reid, Thomas Partridge Tharp, George Spence, Gilbert Fergusson, and Francis Patie, or any three of them, towards making a road from Tom's Spring to Buxton, in the parish of Hanover, agreeably to the diagram annexed to the petition of sundry freeholders of said parish.

*St. James.*

The sum of 200*l.* to the order of the honourable John Mowat, Daniel Bernard, Richard Heath, Philip Anglin Scarlett, and George M Lenan, or any three of them, towards completing the road called the Chesterfield road, in the parish of St. James.

The sum of 200*l.* to the order of the honourable John Mowat, John Perry, Samuel Vaughan junior, Richard Heath, and Isaac Lascelles Winn, or any three of them, towards completing the road called the Elderley road, in the parish of St. James.

The sum of 400*l.* to the order of the honourable John Mowat, Samuel Vaughan junior, Richard Heath, William Haughton Tharp, and Alexander James Findlater, or any three of them, towards completing the road lately opened from the stone-bridge over Great-River, across the Chesterfield road, and to meet a road to be opened in the parish of Trelawny, to Norman's Valley.

*Trelawny.*

The sum of 300*l.* to the order of Peter Francklyn, James Galloway, William Fairclough, Roger Dobson, and John Simpson, or any three of them, towards making a road from the intersection of the Dromilly road, to the bridge near the spring-head, and from thence to the dividing-line of the parishes of Trelawny and St. James, near the Blue-Hole, in Norman's Valley, in the parish of Trelawny.

The sum of 300*l.* to the order of Peter Francklyn, John Beaufin Irving, James Irving, Edward Knowles, and George Wilton, or any three of them, towards completing the road from the settlement called the Alps, in the parish of Trelawny, leading to Hector's River, in the parish of St. Elizabeth.

The sum of 200*l.* to the order of Peter Francklyn, James Galloway, Basil Cooper, Hugh Barnett, and Isaac Lascelles Winn, or any three of them, towards completing the road from Biddeford estate, in the parish of Trelawny, to the intersection of the line of St. Ann's, commonly called Foss's road.

And that the committee recommend to the house, to direct the receiver-general not to pay any orders which may be drawn on him, for monies to be granted this session for roads, unless the same shall be drawn at the foot of accounts, duly attested on oath, for work done and performed, in virtue of such grants, and since the making thereof.

*Resolved,*

That the house do agree to the report:

*Ordered,*

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause or clauses, agreeably to the above report.

Mr.



Mr. Cockburn, from the committee, to whom the petition of James Smith was referred, reported,

James Smith's petition reported.

That the committee had inquired into the merits of the said petition, and find the allegations to be true:

That the committee are of opinion, that the petitioner ought to be paid such salary as the house shall think reasonable, for his services as clerk to the commissioners appointed by law for borrowing several sums of money, and for the extra business mentioned in his said petition, whereon he has been occasionally employed:

And that the committee are of opinion, that whatever claim the petitioner may have, to an increase of his salary as secretary to the commissioners of public accounts, ought to be submitted to the said commissioners.

Ordered,

That the above report be referred to the committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island:

The house, according to order, resolved itself into such committee:

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, left the chair.

Mr. Thompson took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, resumed the chair.

Mr. Thompson, from the committee, reported eighty-six resolutions, which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where being again severally read, were agreed unto by the house, and are as follows:

Committee on state of the island,

report 86 resolutions.

1. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 100*l.* to Alexander Forbes, superintendant of the maroons at Accompong-Town, in full for lodging-money for the years 1797 and 1798.

2. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 50*l.* to Henry Burges, agreeably to the prayer of his petition to the house, the last session.

3. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 100*l.* to James Anderson, superintendant of the maroons at Charles-Town, for lodging-money for the years 1797 and 1798.

4. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 20*l.* to Mary Watkins, agreeably to the prayer of her petition to the house, the last session.

5. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 50*l.* to Charles Douglas, superintendant of the maroons at Moore-Town, in full for lodging-money for the last year.

6. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 97*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* to James Baker, for wherry-hire attending Fort-Augusta, as by his petition to the house, the last session.

7. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 52*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* to the churchwardens of Trelawny, for fundry sums advanced by them for the public service, as by their petition to the house, the last session.

8. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 392*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.* to the corporation of the Trelawny workhouse, for supplying a detachment of the 83d regiment with wood, water, &c. as by their petition to the house, the last session.

9. That



9. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 21*l.* 6*s.* 2*d.* to John and William Perry, for biscuits and hats supplied the black shot and brown infantry, as by their account presented to the house, the last session.

10. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 190*l.* 5*s.* 10*d.* to John Cunningham and son, for fundries supplied the black shot and brown infantry, as by their petition to the house, the last session.

11. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 43*l.* 14*s.* 7*d.* to Richard Hill, for fundries purchased to supply the black shot and brown infantry, as by his petition to the house, the last session.

12. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 16*l.* 10*s.* to John Johnson, for making up clothing for the black shot and brown infantry, as by his petition to the house, the last session.

13. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 14*l.* 17*s.* 1*d.* to Thomas Gilpin, for making up clothing for the black shot and brown infantry, as by his petition to the house, the last session.

14. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 14*l.* 10*s.* 10*d.* to John Smith, for making up clothing for the black shot and brown infantry, as by his petition to the house, the last session.

15. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 31*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* to John Walker, for sword belts, gunlock covers, &c. for the black shot and brown infantry, as by his petition to the house, the last session.

16. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 112*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* to William Angus, for cutlasses, jackets, hats, and fundries, supplied the brown infantry and black shot, as by his petition to the house, the last session.

17. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 185*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* to Watson and Appleton, for cloth and shoes for the brown infantry and black shot, as by their petition to the house, the last session.

18. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 46*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.* to John Perry, for fundries purchased for the brown infantry and black shot, as by his account presented to the house, the last session.

19. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 244*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* to doctor James Walker, for one year's salary as physician to the county-gaol of Surrey, and for medicines furnished the poor prisoners confined therein, as by his petition to the house, the last session.

20. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 266*l.* 5*s.* to William Collet, in full of three accounts for carts and mules conveying baggage, &c. for the 4th battalion of the 60th regiment of foot, annexed to his petition to the house, the last session.

21. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of



of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 405*l.* to George Thompson, in full of the account for the hire of pioneers, for the 4th battalion of the 60th regiment of foot, annexed to his petition to the house, the last session.

22. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 259*l.* to William Collins and company, in full of the accounts for the carriage of baggage, of the 20th light dragoons, and the 4th battalion of the 60th regiment, annexed to their petition to the house, the last session.

23. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 242*l.* 15*s.* to John M Donald, in full of the account for the hire of carts and wains, for the 4th battalion of the 60th regiment, annexed to his petition to the house, the last session.

24. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 30*l.* to Simon Adolphus, for one year's keeping in repair the island coach, as by his petition to the house, the last session.

25. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 53*l.* to Elizabeth Morgan, in full for 53 cord of fire-wood, supplied a detachment of his majesty's 63d regiment, as by her petition to the house, the last session.

26. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 25*l.* to William Fenwick, in full for one year's care of, and winding up, the clock in the assembly-room, as by his petition to the house, the last session.

27. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 449*l.* to the corporation of the St. James's workhouse, in full of the account for negro-hire, carrying wood, water, and provisions, for a detachment of his majesty's 83d regiment, annexed to their petition to the house, the last session.

28. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 126*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* to captain Donald Campbell, in full of the account for one year's hire of a white man, to take care of the magazine at Fort-Montego, and for cleaning arms, &c. annexed to his petition to the house, the last session.

29. That it be recommended to the house, to refuse payment of the account, annexed to the petition of the justices and vestry of the parish of Westmorland, the same being for coffins furnished, and sexton's attendance, for sundry persons of his majesty's 13th regiment of light dragoons, who died in the said parish.

30. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 31*l.* 5*s.* to Robert Thomson, in full of his account for the hire of waggons and carts, to carry the baggage of brigadier-general Whitelocke, whilst on the staff of this island, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 23d November last.

31. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 50*l.* to Thomas March, superintendant of Scott's Hall maroon-town, in full for lodging-money for the year 1798, as by his petition to the house, the last session.

32. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 100*l.* to surgeon John Robinson, of the 20th light dragoons, as an allowance for extra medicines, as by his petition to the house, the last session.



33. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 761*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* to Martha Thomas, in full of the account for hire of pioneers, for the 4th battalion of the 60th regiment, annexed to her petition to the house, the last session.

34. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 302*l.* 18*s.* 7*d.* to Charles Nicholas Pallmer, solicitor for the crown, in full for sundry law business done and performed by him, during the year 1798, as by the account annexed to his petition to the house, the last session.

35. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 13*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* to Abraham Melhado, for the hire of pioneers for the 83d regiment, as by the account annexed to his petition to the house, the last session.

36. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 171*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* to James Disnore Pinnock, captain of Fort-Lindsay, reported due to him by the committee of accounts, to whom his petition and account presented to the house, the last session, were referred.

37. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 100*l.* to doctors Bradbelt and Lee, as physicians to the county-gaol of Middlesex, as by their petition to the house, the last session.

38. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 115*l.* 5*s.* 5*d.* to William M'Robbie, attorney to John Henderson, esquire, in full of the accounts for freight, wharfage, and wainage, of corn for the 20th regiment of light dragoons, and baggage, &c. belonging to major Gillespie, annexed to his petition to the house, the last session.

39. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 224*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* to William Ross, captain of Fort-Haldane, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 30th November last.

40. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 71*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* to William Bullock, clerk to the commissioners of correspondence, in full of the postage account of letters from the agent in Great-Britain, annexed to his petition to the house, the last session.

41. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 209*l.* 10*s.* 10*d.* to John Henry Schroeter, captain of Fort-Balcarres, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 30th November last.

42. That it be recommended to the house, to refer the account of John Henry Schroeter, captain of Fort-Balcarres, annexed to his petition to the house, the last session, for painting twelve gun-carriages, and for cartridge paper, to the commissioners for forts and fortifications.

43. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 40*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* to James Brydone, for the hire of pioneers for a detachment of the 13th regiment of light dragoons, as by his petition to the house, the last session.

44. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 68*l.* 7*s.* 10*d.* to Richard Hill, executor



cutor of John Roberts, deceased, in full of the account for wharfage and storage of the baggage of the 83d regiment of foot, annexed to his petition to the house, the last session.

45. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 97*l.* 10*s.* to captain Donald Campbell, in full for the hire of pioneers at Fort-Charlotte, as by his petition to the house, the last session.

46. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 268*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* to George Robert Johnson, in full for fire-wood supplied detachments of his majesty's troops at Fort-Charlotte, as by his petition to the house, the last session.

47. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 257*l.* to Benjamin Tenison, in full for water supplied detachments of his majesty's troops at Fort-Charlotte, as by his petition to the house, the last session.

48. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 53*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.* to Robert Main, in full of the account for the hire of pioneers at Fort-George, &c. annexed to the petition of lieutenant Pennystone Powney to the house, the last session.

49. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 598*l.* to Mure, Atkinson, and Bogle, in full for 69 barrels of melfs beef shipped on board the Lady Macckworth to Montego-Bay, and there issued for his majesty's forces, as by their petition to the house, the last session.

50. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 1034*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.* to Matthew Atkinson, secretary of the island, in full for recording, examining, and attesting, the several laws of the two sessions preceding the last session, as by his petition to the house, the last session.

51. That it be recommended to the house, to deny the prayer of the petition of William Hammonds, presented to the house, the last session.

52. That it be recommended to the house, to refuse payment of the account of Munro, M'Pherson, and Innes, annexed to the petition of George Innes, to the house, the last session.

53. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 102*l.* to lieutenant colonel M'Murdo, deputy-quartermaster-general, in full for island pay and lodging-money due to him, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

54. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 102*l.* to doctor Charles Lind, surgeon to his majesty's forces in this island, in full for island pay and lodging-money due to him, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

55. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 43*l.* to lieutenant Walter Johnson, military secretary, in full for one year's lodging-money, and twenty-three weeks island pay, from the 8th June last, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

56. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in  
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one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 20*l.* to Hugh Clough, hospital surgeon, and keeper of the medical store, in full for one year's lodging-money due him.

57. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money bills, for paying the sum of 18*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* to the honourable James Jones, in full of his account for wainage, presented to the house on petition, in a former session, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

58. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 288*l.* 13*s.* to the officers of the 83d regiment, in full for lodging-money due to them, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

59. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 241*l.* 14*s.* 2½*d.* to the commanding officer of the 63d regiment, in full of a contingent account due the said regiment, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

60. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 126*l.* 5*s.* to the commanding officer of the 83d regiment, in full of a contingent account due the said regiment, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

61. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 111*l.* 14*s.* 6*d.* to the commanding officer of the 4th battalion of the 60th regiment, in full of a contingent account due the said regiment, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

62. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 14*l.* 5*s.* to John Michael Dwyer, in full for translating Spanish dispatches, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

63. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 48*l.* 1*s.* 6*d.* to deputy adjutant-general Butter, in full for lodging-money and island pay, to 25th December last.

64. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying to brigade-major Gould, the sum of 102*l.* for lodging-money and island pay; and also the further sum of 182*l.* 10*s.* for pay as barrack-master, for 365 days, at 10*s.* *per* day, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

65. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 489*l.* 5*s.* to the order of the commander in chief, in full for the expence of keeping the arms belonging to the island clean and in repair, for the present year.

66. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 47*l.* 11*s.* 6*d.* to major Butter, in full for the hire of two pioneers, and for clothing of them, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

67. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 155*l.* 8*s.* 2*d.* to the commanding officer of the 13th regiment of light dragoons, in full of contingent accounts due the said regiment, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

68. That



68. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 22*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* to the representative of James Wedderburn, esquire, deceased, in full for wharfage of army baggage at Savanna-la-Mar; and the further sum of 39*l.* 9*s.* 9*d.* for sundry necessities supplied the militia and black shot, when on service at Dromilly estate, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

69. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 59*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* to Samuel Jeffries, attorney to James J. Keighley, in full for the hire of sundry slaves and mules, impressed in the public service; also the sum of 8*l.* 10*s.* to the said Samuel Jeffries, as attorney to Peter Beckford, in full for the hire of sundry slaves, employed as baggage negroes on public service; and also the sum of 34*l.* to the said Samuel Jeffries, as attorney to Thomas Storer, in full for the hire of sundry slaves and mules, employed in the public service; agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

70. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 146*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* to Mary Gleeson, for supplying water, and for the hire of pioneers in the service of the 60th regiment, as by her petition to the house, the last session.

71. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 49*l.* to Gayner and Manderson, for 49 cord of fire-wood, supplied a detachment of the 83d regiment, stationed at the barracks at Montego-Bay, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

72. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 61*l.* to Gayner and Manderson, in full for 61 cord of fire-wood, supplied the 83d regiment at Montego-Bay, in 1797, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

73. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 25*l.* 10*s.* to Isaac Allen, for horse, cart, and negro hire, and for supplying grass in the public service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

74. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 13*l.* to David Shakelpear, in full for the hire of horses, negroes, and carts, in the public service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

75. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 56*l.* 19*s.* 7*d.* to the proprietor of Oxford estate, in the parish of St. Elizabeth, or to his representative, being for the hire of carts, mules, and negroes, and for sundries supplied the troops on public service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

76. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 4*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* to George Young, for the hire of negroes to attend the St. Elizabeth's grenadiers on public service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

77. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 30*l.* to Patrick Barron, being the value of a filly, his property, impressed into, and which died in, the public service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.



78. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 10*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* to John Cunningham and Son, for the hire of negroes and mules, in conveying provisions to the St. James's brown infantry, on public service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

79. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 7*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.* to William Webb, for provisions furnished a detachment of the 20th regiment light dragoons, on their way from Oxford estate to Black-River, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

80. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 46*l.* to Bryan Connor, for the labour of himself and negroes, in purchasing and conducting stock, and supplying a leading steer, for the troops on service in St. Elizabeth, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

81. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 10*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* to Alexander Rankin, for the hire of a negro and mules, to carry baggage and provisions to and from the post at Windfor, during the late rebellion of the runaway slaves in the county of Cornwall, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

82. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 12*l.* 11*s.* 1*d.* to Charles Rowe, for negro and cart hire, in conveying stores for the troops on public service, and also for wharfage and storage of sundry articles, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

83. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 29*l.* 8*s.* 4*d.* to Alexander Girdwood, for the hire of negroes to attend the troops on service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

84. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 120*l.* to William Fleming, for fat cattle supplied the troops when on service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

85. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 200*l.* to the honourable Thomas Wallen, late commissary of musters, in consideration of his long and faithful services in that capacity.

86. That it be recommended to the house, to refer the petition of William Ross, captain of Fort-Haldane, presented to the house the last session, and the account thereto annexed, for terracing the roof of the magazine, and also his charges for a set of colours and an ensign, to the commissioners for forts and fortifications.

Then Mr. Thompson acquainted the house, that the committee had directed him, to move the house for leave to sit again:

*Resolved,*

That this house will, on Tuesday next, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

Mr. Cockburn, from the commissioners appointed by law, for stating and settling the



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Veneris, 22<sup>o</sup> Februarii.

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the public accounts, reported, that there was due to the public, on the 30th of September last, from Robert Whitfinch, collecting constable for the parish of St. Thomas in the East, the sum of 24,957l. 5s. 3d.; and from Thomas Goulburn, collecting constable for the parish of Vere, the sum of 5816l. 4s. 10d.:

Report from commissioners of public accounts, on collecting constables.

Ordered,

That the said Robert Whitfinch, and Thomas Goulburn, do forthwith attend at the bar of this house.

Ordered,

That the observations made by doctor Bryan Higgins, respecting the manufacture of Muscovado sugar, since the publication of his last treatise on that subject, be printed by the printer to this house, and disposed of in the manner his former treatise was directed to be, for the information and benefit of the public.

Dr. Higgins's observations to be printed.

Ordered,

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom the poll-tax bill stands committed, to receive a clause for paying to Bryan Higgins, M. D. the sum of 350l. per quarter, commencing from the 1st January last, and to continue till 31st December next.

Quarterly grant to Dr. Higgins.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, acquainted the house, that he had his honour the lieutenant-governor's leave to adjourn the house, from time to time, as they should think proper.

Leave to adjourn.

Then the house adjourned till Tuesday morning next, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Ashman to print these Notes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

KEAN OSBORN, *Speaker, pro tempore*.

Martis, 26<sup>o</sup> die Februarii, 1799.

**Papers.** MR. Speaker, *pro tempore*, laid before the house, a letter from Mr. Hering, mentioning, that having much business to settle in the parish of Westmorland, previous to his intended departure from the island, he could not attend his duty in the assembly, and requesting that the house would vacate his seat:

Mr. Hering's seat vacated.

Resolved,

That the seat of Mr. Hering be vacated, agreeably to his request.

Ordered,

That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

"We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to request that you will be pleased to give directions for issuing a writ, to choose a representative for the parish of Port-Royal, in the room of Oliver Hering, esquire, whose seat the house have vacated."

Message to lieutenant governor for a new writ for Port-Royal.

Ordered,



*Ordered,*

That Mr. Tharp and Mr. Telfer be a committee to wait on his honour with the above message; who returning, reported the delivery thereof, and that his honour was pleased to say, he would give directions accordingly.

Foreign Slave bill  
presented.

Mr. Quier, according to order, presented to the house, a bill to prevent any intercourse and communication, between the slaves of this island and foreign slaves of a certain description; which was received, and read the first time:

*Ordered,*

That the said bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

St. Elizabeth's pe-  
tition reported.

Mr. Spooner, from the committee, to whom the petition of the freeholders, and other inhabitants, of the parish of St. Elizabeth, was referred, reported,

That the committee had taken the same into consideration, and find the allegations therein contained are well founded, as appears to the committee by the information given them by colonel Brereton, who has explored that district of the country, and has acquired a perfect knowledge of the situation of it, and who is of opinion, that the object proposed would tend, if effected, to the security of the whole of that district:

And that the committee are therefore of opinion, that the prayer of the petition should be complied with.

*Ordered,*

Committee on state  
of the island,

That the above report be referred to the committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into such committee:

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, left the chair.

Mr. Thompson took the chair of the committee:

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, resumed the chair.

report 33 resolutions.

Mr. Thompson, from the committee, reported thirty-three resolutions, which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where being again severally read, were agreed unto by the house, and are as follows:

1. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 115*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* to John Griffith, attorney to Francis George Smythe, in full for negro and mule hire, and for fat cattle furnished for the use of the troops on public service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th day of December last.

2. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 65*l.* to John Watson, for his services in forwarding the extra subsistence for the regular troops, at the different out-posts, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of 20th December last.

3. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 157*l.* 9*s.* 4*d.* to James M'Ghie, in full of his account for fresh beef and sugar, supplied the 83d regiment stationed at the out-posts, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

4. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 95*l.* 18*s.* 3*d.* to John Tharp, or his representative, in full for negro, cart, and cattle hire, and for sugar supplied the troops on public service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

5. That



5. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 869*l.* 5*s.* 5*d.* to John Newland, in full of his account for supplying the troops at Fort-Charles with water, from 30th November, 1797, to 30th November, 1798, and for the hire of a market-boat for same time; and also the sum of 579*l.* 8*s.* in full of his account for supplying the white troops at Fort-Augusta with water, during the same time, and for the hire of wherries; agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th day of December last.

6. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 9*l.* 5*s.* to William Green, attorney to Edward Morant Gale, for negro, cart, and cattle hire, employed in carrying provisions for the black shot, and for negroes to act as pioneers, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of 20th December last.

7. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 9*l.* 15*s.* to the reverend Thomas Warren, in full for the hire of negroes and steers from Lacovia estate, and for breakers for the use of the troops on public service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

8. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 27*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* to James Hart, in full for negro labour on public service; agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

9. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 28*l.* to Lazarus Hyman, in full for a fat stag, for the use of the troops on public service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

10. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 15*l.* 14*s.* 2*d.* to Patrick Green, in full for fundry articles supplied the black shot, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

11. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 25*l.* to James Wade, in full for his services in attending the public commissioners of St. Elizabeth, and performing their writing; and also the further sum of 13*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* for the hire of negroes, to act as pioneers with a detachment of the 13th light dragoons, at Black-River; agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

12. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money bills, for paying the sum of 19*l.* 8*s.* 9*d.* to James Morrison, in full for the hire of negroes, to act as pioneers with a detachment of the 13th light dragoons, and for wharfage and shipping of baggage of said regiment, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of 20th December last.

13. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 7*l.* 4*s.* to William Brown, in full for a barrel of sugar, for the use of the troops on public service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

14. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 100*l.* 1*s.* 4*d.* to the representatives of John Fisher, esquire, deceased, in full for the hire of a negro and mules, attending a detachment of the 13th light dragoons; for the hire of horses, carts, &c; for breakers, and for a puncheon of rum, for the use of the troops on public service; agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.



15. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 78*l.* 3*s.* to James Galloway, in full for sundry articles of provisions, supplied the commissioners, for the use of the troops, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

16. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 40*l.* 2*s.* 4*d.* to Alexander Rose, in full for sundry medicines and instruments supplied the militia, when on service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

17. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 1627*l.* 18*s.* 10*d.* to Hyem Cohen, in full for supplying provisions, and other necessary articles, for the troops when on service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

18. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 25*l.* to William James Stevenson, in full for a steer for the use of the troops, when on service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

19. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 340*l.* 13*s.* 1½*d.* to William Tomlinson, in full for supplies to the Westmorland militia, when on service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

20. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 330*l.* 5*s.* to John Codner, in full for clothing parties for wood service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

21. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 129*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* to William Gavin, in full for maintenance of guards, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of 20th December last.

22. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 200*l.* to Michael Withers, in full for eight fat cattle, killed for the use of parties on public service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

23. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 103*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* to Lewis Nelson, in full for sundry disbursements in the public service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

24. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 26*l.* 5*s.* to Caleb Powell, in full for cleaning and repairing arms for the St. Elizabeth's militia, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

25. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 54*l.* to the justices and vestry of the parish of Westmorland, in full for 72 cord of fire-wood, supplied a detachment of 13th light dragoons by Layton Smith, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

26. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying to the officers of the royal artillery, the sums set opposite their respective names, in the account for lodging-money due them, sent down to the house by his honour the lieutenant-governor, the last session, amounting to 402*l.* 6*s.* 3*d.* agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

27. That



27. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 21*l.* to Judith Josephs, in full for the hire of a horse and negro, to and from Stoney-Hill barracks, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

28. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 80*l.* 19*s.* to Robert Thomson, in full for wainage to Stoney-Hill, and for sundries done at the Kingston barracks, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

29. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 65*l.* 19*s.* 4*d.* to Matthew Atkinson, as receiver for Windsor estate, in full for beef, and hire of baggage negroes and mules, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th day of December last.

30. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 274*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* to William Gillmour, captain of Fort-Brunswick, in full for pay and lodging-money, and for the hire of a white man to take care of the magazine, &c. agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

31. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 1325*l.* 6*s.* 6*d.* to John Mitchell, in full for supplies of provisions, &c. to the Trelawny militia and black shot, and St. James's black shot, when on duty in the public service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th of December last.

32. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 1069*l.* 12*s.* 9½*d.* to Hawthorn and Campbell, in full for supplies of provisions, &c. to the Trelawny militia and black shot, and St. James's black shot, when on duty, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

33. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying to the officers of the 63d regiment, the sums set opposite their respective names, in the account for lodging-money due them, sent down to the house by his honour the lieutenant-governor, the last session, amounting to 472*l.* 8*s.* 3*d.* agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 20th December last.

Then Mr. Thompson acquainted the house, that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again:

*Resolved,*

That this house will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

Two messages from his honour the lieutenant-governor, by his secretary, as follows:

*First message.*

"MR. SPEAKER,

"I am commanded by his honour the lieutenant-governor to lay before the house, an extract of a letter from his grace the duke of Portland, dated Whitehall, 23d October, 1798.

Message from his honour, with

\* Extract of a letter from the duke of Portland, dated Whitehall, 23d October, 1798.

Extract of letter from duke of Portland.

"I am very-much surprised to find that you had not received my letter of the 10th of May last, at the time of your dispatching those now before me.

"I informed



I informed you, in that letter, that his majesty had been graciously pleased to allow of the 1st and 4th battalions of the 60th regiment, being appropriated to the exclusive service of Jamaica, in compliance with the wishes of the assembly, and on the conditions specified in their resolutions.

I cannot allow myself to think, that the assembly will object to the above battalions, as not coming within the description of force expressed in their resolutions; because, if not expressly within it, I am persuaded they will be found to be so nearly so, as not to admit of a question being raised, between parties mutually desirous of attending to each others wishes; and, should there be found to be individuals not coming within the description contained in the resolutions of the assembly, and which may be the case in so large a number of troops, they may easily be replaced by others, who may fall more exactly within that description."

*Second message.*

"MR. SPEAKER,

Message from his honour, respecting troops.

*"I am commanded by the lieutenant-governor to inform the house, that his honour, considering it his duty to follow the principle set forth in the beginning of the duke of Portland's letter, dated May 10th, 1798, has drafted, and sent out of Jamaica, all the privates of colour of the 5th West-India regiment, which an event of war had brought to Jamaica:*

*"That, on the same principle, he has sent away from this island, the regiment composed of French negroes, agreeably to his first message to the house, of the 4th December last.*

*"I am also commanded by his honour to state, that on the arrival of the 4th battalion of the 60th regiment in this island, he drafted, and sent to the windward islands, twelve privates, being the only men he could discover, who did not come within the proper description:*

*"I am further instructed to inform the house, that lieutenant-general Bowyer, and major-general Knox, have made the most favourable report of the state and condition of these troops, who consist of 1500 men, as more fully appears in the return sent to the house, on the 20th November last."*

*Ordered,*

That the above two messages, and the extract therewith sent, be referred to the committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Notes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

KEAN OSBORN, *Speaker, pro tempore.*

*Mercurii,*



Mercurii, 27<sup>o</sup> die Februarii, 1799.

**Papers.** **T**HE bill to prevent any intercourse and communication, between the slaves of this island and foreign slaves of a certain description; and for other purposes, was read a second time: Foreign slave bill, read second time.

*Resolved,*

That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house, to-morrow.

Mr. Quier, according to order, presented to the house, a bill for establishing regulations respecting persons of a certain description, arriving in this island, or resident therein, in certain cases; which was received, and read the first time: Alien bill presented.

*Ordered,*

That the said bill be read a second time, this day.

The house adjourned for one quarter of an hour:

*Adjournment.*

And being met;

The bill for establishing regulations respecting persons of a certain description, arriving in this island, or resident therein, in certain cases; was read a second time: Alien bill, read second time.

*Resolved,*

That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house, to-morrow.

Mr. Fitch, from the committee, appointed for stating and settling the public accounts, reported: Report from committee of accounts.

That the committee had examined the under-mentioned accounts, and are of opinion, that the following sums should be paid:

To the officers of the 20th regiment of light dragoons, the sums set opposite their respective names	l.	s.	d.
	507	12	5
To John Thomas William Bennett, for sundry printing business performed for the house, the commissioners of police, &c.	209	12	6
To Alexander Aikman, for printing sundry laws and resolutions, &c. for the house, and advertisements for the commissioners of public accounts, board of works, &c. &c.	3684	9	2
To Lunan and Lewis, for sundry printing business performed, and for sundry stationary furnished the commissioners of the board of works	103	14	4
To Stevenson and Aikman, for sundry printing business performed by orders of the house, the board of works, &c.	97	10	5
To James Fannin, for sundry printing business performed by orders of the house	75	15	0
To Thomas Stevenson, executor of David Dickson, deceased, for sundry printing business performed by orders of the house	62	1	3
To James Lyon and company, for sundry liquors supplied to different parties on public service, &c. &c.	217	2	6
To Cuninghame and Fergusson, for flannel, cartridge paper, junk, &c. supplied the public, by order of the lieutenant-governor	44	2	1
To David Gourley, for 15 dozen cutlasses, with scabbards, supplied the commissioners at Falmouth	45	0	0
To William Dance, deputy-marshal for Kingston, &c. for the maintenance of prisoners confined for debt	146	0	0

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To George Fletcher Coward, deputy-marshal for Trelawny, &c. for the maintenance of prisoners, and expences incurred in conveying them to Savanna-la-Mar	£	s.	d.
	48	3	9
To James Stewart, deputy-marshal, for sundry disbursements for Westmorland gaol, in fixing two lightning rods	42	5	1
To James Stewart, deputy-marshal for Hanover, &c. for sundry advances made for the prisoners committed to gaol	192	9	7
To the reverend Robert Stanton Woodham, for erecting lord and lady Effingham's monument in the chancel of the church, 50/.; and for Mrs. Williamson's monument, in the south aisle of the church, 20/.	50	0	0
To the 26th regiment of light dragoons, for their contingent account	962	16	6
To Benjamin Samuda, for boat-hire to carry 13th light dragoons on board of the ships Brunswick and Douglass, and for landing the York hussars, &c. (four accounts)	55	0	0
To John Henderson, for wharfage of fundries at Port-Henderson, and wainage of fundries from thence to Spanish-Town, for public service	87	13	9
To John White, attorney to Andrew White, for cattle, rum, sugar, &c. supplied the militia in St. Elizabeth (four accounts)	240	14	6
To Patrick White, for coffee furnished the troops at Oxford	30	5	0
To John Dobson, for landing the York hussars and sundry baggage, landing baggage of 13th light dragoons, and for hire of a shallop	125	1	3
To John M'Farlane, for wharfage of fundries, for boat-hire to carry part of 13th light dragoons on board of the ship Douglass, &c. (five accounts)	115	15	4

That it is the opinion of the committee, that the accounts of James Stewart, deputy-marshal for the parishes of St. Elizabeth and Westmorland, for the maintenance of prisoners of war, amounting to 159*l.* 0*s.* 10*d.* as set forth in his petitions, are not proper charges against the public of this island, but ought to be paid by the commissary of prisoners of war, who it is understood is ready to pay the same, on the production of the necessary vouchers; which it is the duty of the clerk of the vestry of the parish of Westmorland to furnish to the said James Stewart:

And that it is also the opinion of the committee, that the petition of doctor James Lawson, sent down to the house with the message from his honour the lieutenant-governor, of 19th December, 1798, praying for lodging money, should be rejected, as it appears that the said doctor James Lawson is not an island mate.

Ordered,

That the above report be referred to the committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

Committee on state  
of the island,

The house, according to order, resolved itself into such committee:

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, left the chair.

Mr. Thompson took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, resumed the chair.

report 11 resolu-  
tions.

Mr. Thompson, from the committee, reported eleven resolutions, which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where the first ten resolutions being again severally read, were agreed unto by the house, and are as follows:

1. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 600*l.* to James Smith, for three years salary due to him as clerk to the commissioners for borrowing several sums of money, as by his petition to the house the last session.

2. That



2. That it be recommended to the house, to allow to Edward Bullock, esquire, clerk of the crown, the sum of 200*l.* annually to defray his extraordinary expences in attending the assize-courts, as by his petition to the house the last session.

3. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 300*l.* to Robert Dickson, in full compensation for the losses sustained by him, in consequence of his house and furniture having been burned by the runaway slaves in rebellion, as by his petition to the house, the last session.

4. That it be recommended to the house, to deny the prayer of the petition of Edward Fleming, presented to the house, the last session.

5. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 140*l.* to Alexander Britbanc, in full compensation for losses sustained by him, in consequence of the depredations lately committed by the runaway slaves in rebellion in the county of Cornwall, and specified in the estimate annexed to his petition to the house, the last session.

6. That it be recommended to the house, to deny the prayer of the petition of William Ross, captain of Fort-Haldane, presented to the house the last session, to be allowed a boat and negroes for the use of the said fort.

7. That it be recommended to the house, to allow to John Reeder, a free black man, the sum of 12*l.* annually, in gratification for services rendered by him to the public, as by his petition to the house, the last session.

8. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in the deficiency bill, for paying the sum of 50*l.* to the respective superintendants of maroons of Charles-Town, Scott's Hall, and Moore-Town, in addition to their usual annual salary.

9. That it be recommended to the house, to deny the prayer of the petition of George Kerr, presented to the house, the last session.

10. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying to the attorney of Lachlan MacLachlan, esquire, and lady Elizabeth Stewart, the sum of 200*l.* in full compensation for the loss of two negroes, who were killed by a party of the black shot, during the late disturbances of the runaway slaves in the county of Cornwall, under a supposition of their being rebels, as by the petition of John Simpson to the house, the last session.

The eleventh resolution being again read, is as follows:

That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 180*l.* and interest from the 5th of June last, to doctor John Largie, as and for the value of a negro man slave, named Cato, sent out on requisition with a party, in pursuit of the runaway slaves lately in rebellion in the county of Cornwall, as by his petition to the house, the last session:

And a motion being made, that the report be amended, by striking out the words, "and interest from the 5th of June last;"

A debate thereon arising; and the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative. Division.

Then Mr. Thompson acquainted the house, that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again:

*Resolved,*

That this house will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

Then



Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Notes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.  
KEAN OSBORN, *Speaker*, pro tempore.

Tobis, 28<sup>o</sup> die Februarii, 1799.

Amended new negro duty bill presented.

*Prayers.* MR. Shaw, according to order, presented to the house, a bill to amend an act entitled, "An act for laying a duty on all negro slaves that shall be imported into this island, from the coast of Africa, who shall be above a certain age; and for regulating the manner of ascertaining such age;" which was received, and read the first time:

*Ordered,*

That the said bill be read a second time, to-morrow.

*Resolved, nem. con.*

Kingston and St. Andrew's petitions.

That in consideration of the report made to the house, on the 14th day of December last, from the committee, to whom the petitions of the magistrates and vestry of the parish of Kingston, and of the justices and vestry of the parish of St. Andrew, on behalf of themselves and other inhabitants thereof, were referred, and of the order of the house thereon, leave be now given to bring in a bill agreeably thereto:

Kingston boundary bill presented.

Then Mr. Fitch, in his place, presented to the house, a bill to repeal part of an act entitled, "An act for making Kingston a parish;" and for ascertaining and fixing the boundaries thereof; and for granting compensation to the parish of St. Andrew; which was received, and read the first time:

*Ordered,*

That the said bill be read a second time, this day.

Adjournment.

The house adjourned for one quarter of an hour:  
And being met;

Kingston boundary bill, read second time.

The bill to repeal part of an act entitled, "An act for making Kingston a parish;" and for ascertaining and fixing the boundaries thereof; and for granting compensation to the parish of St. Andrew; was read a second time:

*Resolved,*

That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house, to-morrow.

Report from commissioners of public accounts, on dutiable prize-goods.

Mr. Cockburn, from the commissioners appointed by law, for stating and settling the public accounts, reported,

That the receiver-general having represented to the board, that the act respecting prize-goods brought into this island, has been found defective, by reason of the agent or agents of prize-goods, therein mentioned, not being compellable to give in,



in, upon oath, at his office, an account of the prize-goods; by means of which, a very considerable sum is annually lost to the public: The commissioners recommend to the house, to appoint a committee, to prepare and bring in a bill to amend the said act.

*Resolved,*

That the house do agree to the report:

*Ordered,*

That Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Francklyn, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Fitch, and Mr. Shaw, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill, agreeably to the above report.

Bill ordered.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to prevent any intercourse and communication, between the slaves of this island and foreign slaves of a certain description; and for other purposes:

Foreign slave bill committed;

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, left the chair.

Mr. Quier took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, resumed the chair.

Mr. Quier, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through part of the bill, and had made several amendments thereto, which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where being again severally read, were agreed unto by the house:

Progress reported;

Then Mr. Quier acquainted the house, that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again:

*Resolved,*

That this house will again, to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the said bill.

A motion being made, that the house do come to the following resolution;

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom the poll-tax bill stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 300*l.* to the order of the honourable Alexander Fullerton, Lewis Cuthbert, James Henry, John Taylor, and John Hutchison, or any three of them, towards completing the road from Kelly's pear to Simpson's gate, in the parish of St. Ann:

Motion for a road grant.

*Ordered,*

That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

A motion being made, that the house do come to the following resolution;

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom the poll-tax bill stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 350*l.* to the order of the honourable Alexander Fullerton, James Henry, Samuel Risby Whitehorne, Charles Steer, John Scarlett, and James Sims, or any three of them, towards completing the road from Simpson's gate to Chippenham-Park:

Another.

*Ordered,*

That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

A motion being made, that the house do come to the following resolution;

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom the poll-tax bill stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 350*l.* to the order of the honourable Alexander Fullerton, Thomas Partridge Tharp, Patrick Smith, George Cruickshank, James Davidson, and Thomas Walker, or any three of them, towards completing the road from Chippenham-Park to the confines of Trelawny:

Another.



*Ordered,*

That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

Motion for paying  
clerk of committee  
of accounts.

A motion being made, that the house do come to the following resolution;

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 150*l*. to James Wintle, in full for his services in attending the committee, appointed for stating and settling the public accounts, during the last and present session:

*Ordered,*

That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

*Ordered,*

Mr. Mitchell added  
to the committee of  
Journals.

That Mr. Mitchell be added to the committee, appointed to collect and revise the minutes of the house, from the earliest records of its proceedings, and to cause the same to be printed under their inspection, after the manner of the Journals of the House of Commons.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Notes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

KEAN OSBORN, *Speaker*, pro tempore.

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Veneris, 1<sup>o</sup> die Martii, 1799.

Amended new negro  
duty bill, read se-  
cond time;

*Prayers.* THE bill to amend an act entitled, "An act for laying a duty on all negro slaves that shall be imported into this island, from the coast of Africa, who shall be above a certain age; and for regulating the manner of ascertaining such age," was read a second time:

*Ordered,*

Engrossed.

That the said bill be engrossed.

Amended prize-  
goods bill presented.

Mr. Cockburn, according to order, presented to the house, a bill to amend an act entitled, "An act for the relief of captors of prizes, with respect to the bringing and landing certain prize-goods in this island;" which was received, and read the first time:

*Ordered,*

That the said bill be read a second time, on Tuesday next.

Foreign slave bill  
reported;

The house, according to order, again resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to prevent any intercourse and communication, between the slaves of this island and foreign slaves of a certain description; and for other purposes:

Mr.



Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, left the chair.

Mr. Quier took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, resumed the chair.

Mr. Quier, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the remaining part of the bill, and had made several amendments thereto, which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again severally read, were agreed unto by the house:

*Ordered,*

That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, "*An Engrossed, act to prevent any intercourse and communication, between the slaves of this island and foreign slaves of a certain description; and for other purposes.*"

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to repeal part of an act entitled, "An act for making Kingston a parish;" for ascertaining and fixing the boundaries thereof; and for granting compensation to the parish of St. Andrew: Kingston boundary bill presented;

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, left the chair.

Mr. Fitch took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, resumed the chair.

Mr. Fitch, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto, which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again severally read, were agreed unto by the house: Reported;

*Ordered,*

That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, "*An Engrossed. act to repeal part of an act entitled, 'An act for making Kingston a parish;' for ascertaining and fixing the boundaries of the said parish of Kingston; and for granting compensation to the parish of St. Andrew.*"

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill for establishing regulations respecting persons of a certain description, arriving in this island, or resident therein, in certain cases: Alien bill committed;

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, left the chair.

Mr. Quier took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, resumed the chair.

Mr. Quier, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto, which he was directed to report, when the house would be pleased to receive the same: Report deferred.

*Ordered,*

That the report be received on Tuesday morning next.

A motion being made, that the house do come to the following resolution;

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause, for paying to the order of the commissioners of the Bath of St. Thomas the Apostle, the sum of 250*l.* for the repairs of the hospital and bathing-house: Motion for grant for the Bath.

*Ordered,*

That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

A motion being made, that the house do come to the following resolution;

That



Motion for paying  
clerk of maroon  
committee.

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause for paying to Edward Bullock, the sum of 150*l.* for his trouble in attending the committee, to whom were referred, during the last session, his honour the lieutenant-governor's several messages, and their respective enclosures, relative to the maroons at Halifax, and for preparing a voluminous report thereon :

*Ordered,*

That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

A message from his honour the lieutenant-governor, by his secretary, as follows :

" MR. SPEAKER,

Message from lieutenant-governor,  
with sundry accounts.

" *I am commanded by his honour the lieutenant-governor to lay before the house, sundry accounts.*"

No. 1. Pioneer account for the 63d regiment.

2. Lodging-money account of the York hussars.

3. Account of John Michael Dwyer.

NOTE, For these accounts see appendix, No. I.

*Ordered,*

That the accounts sent down with the above message, be referred to the committee appointed for stating and settling the public accounts to be examined, and that they report their opinion thereon to the house.

Then the house adjourned till Tuesday morning next, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Notes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

KEAN OSBORN, *Speaker, pro tempore.*

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Martis, 5<sup>o</sup> die Martii, 1799.

Foreign slave bill  
passed.

Prayers. THE engrossed bill to prevent any intercourse and communication, between the slaves of this island and foreign slaves of a certain description; and for other purposes, was read the third time :

*Resolved,*

That the said bill do pass.

Kingston boundary  
bill passed.

The engrossed bill to repeal part of an act entitled, " An act for making Kingston a parish;" for ascertaining and fixing the boundaries of the said parish of Kingston; and for granting compensation to the parish of St. Andrew, was read the third time :

*Resolved,*

That the said bill do pass.

The



The engrossed bill to amend an act entitled, "An act for laying a duty on all negro slaves that shall be imported into this island, from the coast of Africa, who shall be above a certain age; and for regulating the manner of ascertaining such age," was read the third time:

Amended new negro duty bill, passed.

Resolved,

That the said bill do pass.

Mr. Quier, according to order, reported, from the committee of the whole house, to whom the bill for establishing regulations respecting persons of a certain description, arriving in this island, or resident therein, in certain cases, was committed, the amendments which the committee had made to the bill, and which they had directed him to report to the house; and he read the same in his place, and delivered them in at the table, with the bill:

Alien bill reported;

And a motion being made, that the said bill be amended, by striking out the following words, in the sixth clause thereof, "or shall not be landed, except at such places, and under such regulations, as shall be in such proclamation or order expressed;"

A debate thereon arising; and the question being put, it passed in the negative:

Then the said amendments being again severally read, were agreed unto by the house:

Ordered,

That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, "An act for establishing regulations respecting persons of a certain description, arriving in this island, or resident therein, in certain cases."

Engrossed.

Mr. Shirley, from the commissioners of the board of works, reported,

That, on the 13th April last, a letter was laid before the board, from their sub-committee for the barracks in Clarendon, enclosing the following papers; viz. An account of the expenditure of a grant of 1000*l.* in the rum law, passed in the year 1794, for the repairs of the Chapel barracks; an account of William Russell, for carpenters' work; and, an account of Robert Loft, for masons' work; by which it appeared, that the sum of 78*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.* remained due to the former, and the sum of 125*l.* 13*s.* 9*d.* due to the latter; making together, the sum of 204*l.* 0*s.* 11*d.* over and above the fund granted by the legislature for the repairs of said barracks, and requesting the sanction of the board to appropriate, in part payment of those accounts, the sum of 160*l.* granted by the vestry of Clarendon, in aid of the public expenditures on the Chapel barracks; which said last-mentioned sum, the commissioners have to state, has been duly credited in the receiver-general's books:

Special report from board of works.

That the board, conceiving it not to be within the line of their duty, to pay the balance of either of the said accounts, or to sanction the measure proposed, of appropriating the said grant of 160*l.* to the liquidation of those accounts, directed their clerk to acquaint the sub-committee of such determination; but to intimate, at the same time, that the board would submit their letter to the house, at the next session, for their consideration:

That the commissioners therefore annex, to this their report, the said letter and papers, which they submit accordingly to the house, for their consideration.

SIR,

Clarendon, March 31, 1798.

Apprehensive that it will not be in our power, personally to attend at the next board, we request you to present to it the papers enclosed; viz. An account of the expenditure of the grant of 1000*l.* for the repairs of the Chapel barracks, in the

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rum law of 1794; William Russell's account for carpenters' work, balance due to him 78*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.*; Robert Loft's account for masonry, amount 125*l.* 13*s.* 9*d.*: These two workmen were employed by the late John Russell, one of the commissioners appointed to superintend the barracks, to whom three other commissioners for appropriating the said sum of 1000*l.* delegated full powers, on 1st August, 1794, to contract with tradesmen for the repairs of the barracks; we do not, however, find that he made any agreement, either with William Russell or Loft, that their accounts should not exceed a stipulated sum.

We also wish you to solicit the board's attention to the resolution of the Clarendon vestry, entered in your minutes in December last, to pay to ourselves the sum of one hundred and sixty pounds, in order to pay or reimburse the honourable board for carpenters' work and materials previously employed at the barracks; we therefore request the sanction of the board, to appropriate that sum of 160*l.* towards the payment of the said two accounts.

The residuum still due on those accounts will be 44*l.* 0*s.* 11*d.*; it rests with the board to determine, if it is within their department, to administer relief to men who have unintentionally erred, by anticipation of public grants, in so small a sum. We are, sir, with esteem, your obedient servants,

JOHN HENCKELL,  
W. THOMPSON.

*The commissioners for a grant of 1000*l.* in the rum law, 1794.*

Their order to Wheeler Fearon, for lumber	-	-	-	200	0	0
order to ditto, for ditto	-	-	-	41	19	10
order to Duncombs and Savage	-	-	-	60	0	9
order to W. Fearon, for lumber	-	-	-	224	2	8
order to James Hewitt	-	-	-	330	17	3
order to W. Russell	-	-	-	142	19	6
				1000	0	0

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

*By direction of the commissioners appointed for repairing the barracks in Clarendon,*  
To WILLIAM RUSSELL, Dr.

1794. To trying up and framing eight large window-frames of hard-wood, at 6 <i>s.</i> each	-	-	-	24	0	0
To ditto one large door-frame, at	-	-	-	3	10	0
1796. To trying up hardwood, framing a roof, close-boarding ditto, with broad leaf boards, planed, rabbeted, and beaded, measuring 1647 feet, at 70 <i>s.</i> per square	-	-	-	57	12	10½
To ditto ditto wall-plate roof, and boarding over the piazza, 926 feet, at 70 <i>s.</i>	-	-	-	32	8	2½
To ditto ditto framing wall-plate and roof, on one of the bastions, 656 feet, at 70 <i>s.</i> per 100 feet	-	-	-	22	19	2½
To squaring, turning, and framing in, five hardwood columns, at 30 <i>s.</i> —two pilasters, at 15 <i>s.</i> each	-	-	-	9	0	0
To framing a fill, girders, and joists, in the piazza, 450 feet, at 30 <i>s.</i>	-	-	-	6	15	0
To jointing and laying on cedar shingles, 2900 feet, at 30 <i>s.</i> per 100 feet	-	-	-	43	10	0
To shingling 156 feet of hips, at 1 <i>s.</i> per foot	-	-	-	7	16	0
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To laying down beams, and framing in joists, in the large room, 918 feet, at 3cs. per 100	l.	s.	d.
	13	15	4 $\frac{3}{4}$
	221	4	8

Received, this 14th August, 1797, from the receiver-general's office, in part of the above, the sum of 142l. 19s. 6d.

WILLIAM RUSSELL.

JAMAICA, ff.

I do swear, that the within written account is just; and that the several charges therein contained, are according to the usual and customary charges.

WILLIAM RUSSELL.

Sworn before me, this 21st January, 1797.

JOSEPH ISRAELL.

Clarendon barracks, 24th January, 1797.—We have examined the preceding account, and consider the charges reasonable.

JOHN HENCKELL,  
JOSEPH ISRAELL,  
J. W. MAY, } commissioners.

THE PUBLIC,

To ROBERT LOST, Dr.

1794.

Dec. 26. To eight windows, breaking and putting in with stone, 8 feet square, 2 feet 3 inches thick, contains 69 perches 13 feet; to carrying away same, and breaking it, 2s. 6d. is	l.	s.	d.
	8	14	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
To building same, finding sand, white lime, stone, &c. at 15s. per perch	52	6	11
To a large door, 10 feet by 8 feet wide, 2 feet 3 inches thick, contains 10 perches 15 feet; to breaking and carrying away same, at 2s. 6d. per perch	1	6	10 $\frac{1}{2}$
To building same, at 15s. per perch	8	4	2
To pulling out an old door, 10 feet by 7 feet, 2 feet 3 inches thick, contains 9 perches, at 15s. per perch	7	15	0
To an angle to make the hall square, 17 feet long, 11 feet high, 18 inches thick, contains 16 perches 16 feet, at 15s. per perch	12	14	6
To piazza wall, 56 feet long, 18 inches high, 2 feet thick, contains 10 perches 3 feet, at 15s. per perch, is	7	12	6
April 30. To digging and building 12 pillars, at 10s. each, to put the beams on	6	0	0
To breaking a hole for principal, 3 feet high, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet wide, contains 10 feet, at 15s. per perch	0	8	2
To stopping up the old joist holes, and the end plate of piazza, contains 22 feet, at 15s. per perch	1	0	0
To breaking the two ends of a joining beam, for plates, 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet by 6 feet, 18 inches thick, contains 22 feet, at 15s. per perch	1	0	0
To breaking and building five beams to joists, in piazza, contains one perch, at 15s. per perch	0	15	0
			To



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To beam-filling the hall, the two lengths of what was wanted	<i>l. s. d.</i>
to be done, is 81 feet, 2½ feet high, 18 inches thick,	
contains 18 perches 6 feet, at 15s. per perch, is	- 13 15 6
To the two ends, 19 feet each, 2 feet high, 18 inches	
thick, contains 6 perches 15 feet, at 15s. per perch	- 5 3 9
	<hr/>
	126 16 9
Deduct over-charges	- 1 3 0
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	125 13 9

JAMAICA, *ff.*

Personally appeared before me, Robert Loft, and made oath, on the Holy Evangelists, that the within account is just and true; and that the several charges therein made are as usual and customary.

ROBERT LOFT.

Sworn before me, this 21<sup>st</sup> January, 1797.

JOS. ISRAELL.

The within mentioned work was done at the Clarendon barracks.

WILLIAM RUSSELL.

Clarendon barracks, 24<sup>th</sup> January, 1797.—We have examined the preceding account, consider the charges reasonable, and think Mr. Loft entitled to receive 125*l.* 13*s.* 9*d.*

JOHN HENCKELL, }  
JOSEPH ISRAELL, } *commissioners.*  
J. W. MAY, }

General report from  
board of works.

Mr. Shirley, from the commissioners of the board of works, reported,

That they have annexed to this their report, an account, marked A, of the funds entrusted to them; whereby it appears, that there is a balance of 16,119*l.* 0*s.* 9½*d.* in their favour, including the several sums that have been granted for erecting a new gaol for the county of Surrey; subject, however, to the several deductions stated at the foot of the said account, amounting to 6,119*l.* 0*s.* 9½*d.*:

That, owing to the very high price of lumber, they postponed erecting the said gaol, and, in lieu thereof, have ordered such repairs for it, as have been reported to them necessary:

That, from the same cause, the commissioners are of opinion, that this building ought to be further delayed, particularly as it may be kept up in tolerable repair for twelve months more, at an expence not exceeding three hundred pounds:

That, if the house shall allow the balance of the said several sums to be applied to the general uses of the public buildings, the commissioners will have no other application to make to the house, unless new barracks are ordered to be built in the interior, or any other, parts of the country:

That the commissioners annex to this report (letter B), the repairs necessary to be made at and near the towns.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA, in account current with THE BOARD OF WORKS, Dr.  
1797.

	<i>l. s. d.</i>	<i>l. s. d.</i>
Dec. 22. To three orders favour Miles, John, and		
Thomas Williams, on account of their		
contract for erecting the temple and co-		
lonnades for lord Rodney's statue	2000	0 0

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		<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
	To an order, favour M'Lean, Campbell, and Phillips, on account of their contract for building an officers' barrack at Fort-Augusta			1760	0	0	
	To a ditto, favour John Morton, on account of his contract for ditto			1600	0	0	
	To a ditto, favour Edward Evans, for work done at Fort-Charlotte barracks			100	0	0	
	To a ditto, favour Hume and Balfour, for work done at the Apostles-Battery			120	0	0	
	To a ditto, favour John Sanders, for work done at the king's house			15	5	0	
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Jan. 12.	To a ditto, favour Wilkinson and M'Pherson, for work done at Black-River barracks			20	0	0	
	To a ditto, favour John Butter, for work done at the 20th light dragoon stables			98	0	0	
	To a ditto, favour John Townsend, for six months rent of the long-room, as an arsenal, due 13th ultimo			35	0	0	
	To a ditto, favour Philip Givan, for thirty stretchers for the hospital at Kingston			85	0	0	
	To a ditto, favour R. James, supervisor of St. Catherine's workhouse, for negro labour at the barrack-yard, in Spanish-Town			65	5	0	
							303 5 0
26.	To a ditto, favour John Butter, for work done at the hospital of 63d regiment, in Spanish-Town			24	5	0	
	To a ditto, favour Daniel Saa, for work done at the barracks, in Spanish-Town			6	0	0	
							30 5 0
Feb. 9.	To a ditto, favour Robert Pitcairn, for twenty-five stretchers, supplied the hospital of 63d regiment			70	16	8	
	To a ditto, favour Francis Smart, for six months rent of a house, for holding the island stores, due 6th October last			60	0	0	
	To a ditto, favour David Aird, for repairs at Kingston gaol			27	11	8½	
	To a ditto, favour John Sanders, for taking down and removing the chandeliers from the king's house to the assembly-room, and removing those from thence to the king's house			22	10	0	
	To a ditto, favour Edward Thomas, for repairs at the barracks in Kingston			20	5	10	
							201 4 2½
23.	To a ditto, favour Peter M'Tavish, for work done at the Apostles-Battery			196	17	6	
	To a ditto, favour ditto, for lime supplied at the barracks in Kingston			28	10	0	

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	To an order, favour John Butter, for work done at the 20th light dragoon barracks and riding-school		19	6	1		
	To a ditto, favour Thomas Williams, for wainage, &c. in bringing up the monument of lord and lady Effingham	50	0	0	—	294	13 7
Mar. 23.	To a ditto, favour John Butter, for fixing the clock taken from the assembly-room in the new barracks, Spanish-Town, and fitting up a store at said barracks		21	9	4		
	To a ditto, favour William Fenwick, for taking down the clock in the assembly-room, and repairing and putting up same in the new barracks, Spanish-Town	10	0	0	—	31	9 4
April 13.	To a ditto, favour Daniel Saa, for building and completing a vault and necessary-house, in Spanish-Town barrack-yard, agreeably to contract	410	0	0			
	To a ditto, favour John Butter, for carpenters work to ditto, agreeably to contract	135	0	0	—	545	0 0
May 4.	To a ditto, favour J. H. Schroeter, for monies advanced to defray sundry necessary repairs at Fort-Balcarras		38	5	2½		
	To a ditto, favour J. Morton, for work done at Stoney-Hill barracks, per contract	572	0	0			
	To a ditto, favour Robert Pitcairn, for work done at the island store		22	10	0		
	To a ditto, favour Daniel Saa, for work done at the barrack-yard, in Spanish-Town, per contract		38	0	0		
	To a ditto, favour ditto, for work done at the barracks, in Spanish-Town, per contract		50	0	0		
	To a ditto, favour ditto, for filling in the old necessary, and gravelling the barrack-yard, in Spanish-Town, agreeably to contract		100	0	0		
	To a ditto, favour John Sanders, for putting up the lustres and lamps in the supper-room at the king's house		34	7	6	—	855 2 8½
	To a ditto, favour John Morton, on account of his contract for erecting offices and buildings, for better preserving the public records, &c.					2000	0 0
18.	To a ditto favour Campbell, M'Lean, and Phillips, for balance due on their contract for building an officers' new barrack at Fort-Augusta		983	7	11		
	To a ditto, favour Wm. Edw. Bonner, for plastering the king's house		170	0	0		

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To an order, favour John Butter, for work done at the barrack-yard, in Spanish-Town - - - 27 10 0 — 1180 17 11

June 1. To a ditto, favour Edward P. Wallen, for monies expended in repairs at the barracks of 20th light dragoons 18 12 4

To a ditto, favour Francis Smart, for six months rent of a house for holding the island stores, due 6th April last 60 0 0

To a ditto, favour M'Lean, Campbell, and Phillips, for work done at Stoney-Hill barracks - - - 80 0 0

To a ditto, favour ditto, for extra work done at Fort-Augusta - - - 40 0 0

To a ditto, favour Peter M'Tavish, for work done at the captain's house, in Fort-Augusta - - - 202 5 0

To a ditto, favour William Edward Bonner, for work done at the king's house 15 0 0 — 415 17 4

15. To a ditto, favour the representatives of George Cooke, deceased, for six months rent of land adjoining the theatre, due 13th May last - - - 12 10 0

19. To a ditto, favour M'Lean, Campbell, and Phillips, for work done at Stoney-Hill barracks - - - 35 0 0

To a ditto, favour ditto, for an allowance made them in consequence of the loss they would sustain, in converting into cash the order passed in their favour, 18th May last, the terms of their contract specifying that payment was to be made in cash, or papers equivalent thereto 24 11 8 — 59 11 8

29. To a ditto, favour John Boswell, for laying the floor of the magazine, at Fort-Augusta - - - 185 0 0

To a ditto, favour John Butter, for work done at the barracks, in Spanish-Town 19 10 0

To a ditto, favour the representatives of John Welsh, deceased, for erecting the monument of lord and lady Effingham, in Spanish-Town church - - - 345 0 0

To a ditto, favour John Morton, for work done at Fort-Augusta, by order of the late and present surveyor of public works - - - 23 0 0

To a ditto, favour John Butter, for work done at the new barracks, in Spanish-Town, by order of the board - 5 0 0 — 577 10 0

July 6. To a ditto, favour ditto, for work done at the barracks, in Spanish-Town 66 10 10

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	To an order, favour William Bryan, for 3 barrels tar supplied for the use of the public			18	0	0	
	To a ditto, favour John Morton, for work done at the captain's house, Fort-Augusta	68	0	0	—	152	10 10
13.	To a ditto, favour John Butter, for paint- ing the king's house			210	0	0	
	To a ditto, favour William Edwards, for carriage of paint and oil from Port-Hen- derson			13	0	0	
	To a ditto, favour John Morton, for the balance due him on his contract, for erecting the new barracks at Fort-Au- gusta			255	0	0	
	To a ditto, favour David Laing, for 2 bar- rels of tar supplied for the use of the public			12	0	0	
	To a ditto, favour John Butter, for glue, &c. supplied in painting the king's house			8	19	2	— 498 19 2
27.	To a ditto, favour David Laing, for pro- viding 2 strong buckets, iron mounted, for the well at Kingston barracks			24	10	0	
	To a ditto, favour M <sup>r</sup> Farlane and Warden, for repairing the Kingston gaol, agree- ably to contract			350	0	0	
	To a ditto, favour John Butter, for clean- ing the lustres and repairing the pier glassess at the king's house			18	15	0	
	To a ditto, favour Robert Pitcairn, for work done at the king's house, by order of the board			50	0	0	
	To a ditto, favour ditto, for work done at the engineer's house at Port-Royal, agree- ably to contract			77	10	0	
	To a ditto, favour the reverend Robert S. Woodham, for 12 months rent of land, on part of which the dragoon stables are erected, due 17th instant			50	0	0	— 570 15 0
Aug. 17.	To a ditto, favour Alexander Campbell, for erecting in Spanish-Town church the monument of the late Mrs. Williamson, agreeably to contract			197	17	6	
	To a ditto, favour the representatives of John Welsh, deceased, for repairing the barrack, hospital, and engineer's house, at Port-Royal, agreeably to contract			197	17	6	
	To a ditto, favour Jaques, Laing, and Ew- ing, and Hugh Bogle and company, for lumber supplied John Morton, for the						



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		<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
	use of the new barracks in Spanish-Town, agreeably to contract	-	213	11	2		
	To an order, favour Jaques, Laing, and Ewing, and Hugh Bogle and company, for lumber supplied David Aird, for the use of the admiral's pen, agreeably to ditto	-	52	0	0		
	To a ditto, favour ditto, for lumber supplied James M <sup>r</sup> Farlane, for the use of the Twelve Apostles-Battery, agreeably to ditto	-	49	9	2		
	To a ditto, favour ditto, for lumber supplied John Morton, for the officers new barrack at Fort-Augusta, agreeably to ditto	-	1525	8	0		
	To a ditto, favour ditto, for lumber supplied David Aird, for the use of Kingston, Fort-Augusta, and Port-Royal hospitals, agreeably to ditto	-	24	16	0		
	To a ditto, favour ditto, for lumber supplied James M <sup>r</sup> Farlane, for the use of Fort-Augusta, agreeably to ditto	-	31	10	0		
	To a ditto, favour Robert Pitcairn, for repairing the hospital at Port-Royal, agreeably to ditto	-	129	0	0		
	To a ditto, favour John Marcy, for erecting a necessary at Savanna-la-Mar gaol, by order of the board	-	65	0	0		
	To a ditto, favour Robert Haylett, for repairing the leaden gutters at the king's house, by order of ditto	-	12	0	0	2498	19 14
Sept. 7.	To a ditto, favour Gentle and Glenny, for erecting the roof of a new kitchen at Old Maroon-Town, agreeably to ditto	-	230	0	0		
	To a ditto, favour ditto, for repairing the soldiers barrack at ditto, agreeably to ditto	-	305	0	0		
	To a ditto, favour ditto, for building a new store, bake-house, &c. at ditto, agreeably to ditto	-	748	10	0		
	To a ditto, favour ditto, for building a new necessary for the use of the hospital at ditto, agreeably to ditto	-	110	0	0		
	To a ditto, favour ditto, for altering the mess-room at ditto, agreeably to ditto	-	90	0	0		
	To a ditto, favour ditto, for tables and chairs furnished for the officers mess-room at ditto, agreeably to ditto	-	38	0	0		
	To a ditto, favour James Schaw, administrator of David Schaw, for building a store at ditto, agreeably to ditto	-	165	17	06		
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To an order, favour James Schaw, administrator of David Schaw, for building foundation for necessary at Old Maroon-Town, agreeably to contract	-	25	15	0				
To two ditto, favour William Melvin, for work done at Montego-Bay barracks, agreeably to ditto	-	444	2	6				
To a ditto, favour Robert and William Hunter, for work done at Fort-Balcarres, agreeably to ditto	-	193	0	0				
To a ditto, favour John Butter, for work done at the hospital in Spanish Town, agreeably to ditto	-	95	0	0				
To a ditto, favour ditto, for work done at the barracks in Spanish-Town, agreeably to ditto	-	80	15	0				
To a ditto, favour Alexander Campbell, for the carriage of Mrs. Williamson's monument from Kingston to Spanish-Town, by order of the board	-	6	10	0	—	2532	10	0
17. To a ditto, favour Gentle and Glenny, for tables and benches furnished for the use of the barracks at Old Maroon-Town, agreeably to contract	-	150	0	0				
To a ditto, favour Robert Pitcairn, for repairing the 20th light dragoon stables in Spanish-Town, agreeably to ditto	-	400	0	0	—	550	0	0
21. To a ditto, favour Gentle and Glenny, for thirty stretchers supplied for the hospital at Old Maroon-Town, per ditto								75 0 0
Oct. 5. To a ditto, favour John Butter, for work done at the barracks in Spanish-Town, by order of the board	-	20	0	0				
To a ditto, favour Pierce de la Hunt, for white-washing the hospital at Stoney-Hill	-	3	10	0				
To a ditto, favour John Butter, for making eight tables for the 20th light dragoons, by order of the board	-	40	0	0	—	63	10	0
12. To a ditto, favour James Schaw, administrator of David Schaw, for building a stone-kitchen at Old Maroon-Town, agreeably to contract	-	285	15	0				
To a ditto, favour ditto, for underpinning the bake-house at ditto, agreeably to ditto	-	122	6	0				
To a ditto, favour ditto, for building two ovens with chimneys in the new bake-house at ditto, agreeably to ditto	-	140	0	0				
To a ditto, favour Maclaurin Gillies, for								

Lumber



Lumber supplied William Melvin, for the use of the barracks at Montego-Bay, by order of the sub-committee for St. James's		<i>l. s. d.</i>	<i>l. s. d.</i>
		30 13 6	— 578 14 6
19. To an order, favour Gentle and Glenny, for building an officers' necessary at the Old Maroon-Town, agreeably to contract			75 0 0
Nov. 2. To a ditto, favour Clotworthy Dobbin, for labour and paint in painting the captain's house at Fort-Augusta, by order of the board			12 2 0
9. To three orders, of 732l. 8s. 0½d. each, favour Miles, John, and Thomas Williams, for the balance due them on their contract for erecting the temple and colonnades for lord Rodney's statue, and for the carriage of stone		2197 4 1½	
To a ditto, favour John Butter, for work done in the house of assembly		20 0 0	
To a ditto, favour ditto, for work done at the king's house		44 11 8	
To a ditto, favour ditto, for work done at the king's-house		19 5 10	
To a ditto, favour ditto, for making tables and forms for the use of the royal artillery at Port-Royal		78 0 0	
To a ditto, favour Robert Holmes, for rent of a house for baking and holding stores for the use of the 83d regiment		80 0 0	— 2439 11 7½
16. To a ditto, favour Thomas Taylor, for masons work done at Black-River barracks		2 0 0	
To a ditto, favour Thomas Wilkinson, for carpenters work done at Black-River barracks		13 14 2	
To a ditto, favour Hugh Frazer, for work done at the Westmorland barracks and magazine, agreeably to contract		646 5 0	
To a ditto, favour the president of Westmorland workhouse, for negro labour at the barracks and magazine		99 6 6¼	
To a ditto, favour the parish of Westmorland, for expences incurred in making sentry-boxes, and repairing the old magazine		86 2 6	— 847 8 2¼
23. To a ditto, favour Gentle and Glenny, for repairing the officers barracks at Old Maroon-Town, agreeably to contract		202 15 0	
To a ditto, favour John Thomas Parker, for masons work done at Spanish-Town barracks		30 0 0	— 232 15 0

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30.	To an order, favour lieutenant-colonel Brereton, for two accounts of work done by his order, during the time his regiment was quartered at Stoney-Hill, and since in Spanish-Town	-	23	5	6		
	To a ditto, favour Adam Dolmage, esquire, for removing public stores from Port-Henderfon, to Fort-Augusta	-	15	2	6	—	38 8 10
Dec. 7.	To a ditto, favour Clotworthy Dobbin, for the hire of 24 pioneers, for the use of Fort-Augusta, from 17th March, 1797, to 17th March, 1798, agreeably to contract; also for rations and clothing supplied said pioneers, during the same period	-	1147	6	3		
	To a ditto, favour Stewart Bruce, for iron-mongery, &c. supplied for the officers new barrack at Fort-Augusta	-	188	4	7		
	To a ditto, favour John Butter, for repairing the island store, at Fort-Augusta	-	50	0	0		
	To a ditto, favour the representatives of George Cooke, deceased, for six months rent of land adjoining the theatre, in Spanish-Town, due 13th ultimo	-	12	10	0	—	1398 0 10
1799. Jan. 4.	To a ditto, favour Philip Givan, for making forty stretchers, for the hospital at Fort-Augusta, agreeably to contract	-	100	0	0		
18.	To two ditto, favour John Butter, for framing and close-boarding the front gallery of new barrack, in Spanish-Town, agreeably to contract	-	230	0	0		
	To a ditto, favour ditto, for supplying hinges, bolts, and fastenings, for twelve pair window-shutters, at ditto	-	19	0	0		
	To a ditto, favour Alexander Campbell, for repairing the water tank at 20th light dragoon stables, in Spanish-Town	-	25	0	0	—	274 0 0
	To balance in the hands of the receiver-general						16,119 0 0½
							41,158 16 3¼

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA in account current with THE BOARD OF WORKS, Cr.  
1797.

		<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Dec. 21.	By balance in the hands of the receiver-general to this day, as per account annexed to the report	-	20,689	13 2¼
23.	By this sum granted in the poll-tax law, towards building a gaol for the county of Surrey	-	3,000	0 0
	By this sum granted in ditto, for the repairs of barracks and public buildings at Spanish-Town, Apostles-Battery, Fort-Augusta, Port-Royal, Kingston, Stoney-Hill, and Fort-Small	-	5,258	0 0
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By this sum granted in the poll-tax law, for repairs of the barracks at the Old Maroon-Town, Trelawny, and Westmorland

l. s. d.  
3,263 0 0

By this sum granted in ditto, for carrying into effect the existing contracts, entered into with the commissioners for erecting a temple for the reception of lord Rodney's statue, and other public buildings adjoining

8,417 4 1½

By this sum, being the balance remaining in the hands of the receiver-general, undrawn by the aforesaid commissioners, out of the monies granted or voted to their order, and made applicable to the orders of this board, by an act passed, to repeal the powers of said commissioners, and for other purposes

105 15 2½

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April. By this much lodged in the hands of the receiver-general, by an order of the board, being the amount of a judgment obtained by the commissioners for erecting lord Rodney's statue, &c. against Daniel Saa, for old materials

265 3 9

Nov. 23. By this much lodged in the hands of ditto, by John Henckell, esquire, being the amount of the grant of the vestry of Clarendon, in aid of the expenditures on the Chapel barracks

160 0 0

41,138 16 3½

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Balance

16,119 0 0½

Subject to the following contracts, &c.

l. s. d.

John Butter's contract for platforms

390 0 0

M<sup>r</sup>Farlane and Warden's ditto for repairs at admiral's pen

200 0 0

Kingston workhouse, for labour of negroes at ditto

200 0 0

John Welsh's estate, contract for sinking a well in

Spanish-Town barrack-yard

750 0 0

Stoney-Hill, eight huts ordered to be erected

240 0 0

John Morton, balance due on his contract for erecting public buildings

1720 0 0

Thomas Williams, balance due on his contract for ditto

500 0 0

A year's rent of twenty-four pioneers to Clotworthy

Dobbin

1147 6 3

A year's rent of five ditto, hired by lieutenant-colonel Brereton

140 0 0

A year's rent of fundry houses and land for the public service

390 0 0

Various small orders of the board

441 13 9½

6,119 0 0½

Real balance

10,000 0 0

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ESTIMATE



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ESTIMATE of necessary repairs at the different barracks, and public buildings, &c. in the vicinity of Spanish-Town and Kingston.

KING'S HOUSE:

Estimate of repairs to public buildings.

The roof requires to be new shingled, except that part over the great hall and gallery.

Eight of the bed-chambers, and middle passage, require to be new papered and painted; several of the window-frames are totally decayed; and a number of panes of glass are wanted for the sashes.

The room immediately over the council-chamber, wants some trifling repairs; as also some of the brick-work in the back buildings.

PUBLIC BUILDINGS:

The roof to be patched, and casing gallery.

Four new frontispieces and doors, made of good mahogany, are necessary for the assembly-room and court-house, the present doors and frontispieces being entirely decayed.

Several of the pillars and arches want repairs; the lobby requires to be patched in several places, and white-washed.

NEW BARRACKS, Spanish-Town:

Many of the sliding shutters in the upper story are wanting; weather-boarding in the back gallery wants repairing; white-washing the whole of the barracks; and patching the plaster, where wanting.

DRAGOON HOSPITAL:

Wants jealousy blinds for the windows, and some alterations to shutters, &c.

SOLDIERS COOK-ROOMS:

The whole of the roof requires to be new shingled, and ten of the hearths require to be filled up, and new paved.

DRAGOON STABLES:

Great part of the fence wants new boarding, as also the stables and riding-school: The pavement of the stables requires repairs; also part of the brick wall, by the guard-house.

FORT-AUGUSTA:

Partial repairs during the present year.

APOSTLES-BATTERY:

A small wharf wanted, for landing water; repairing cistern; and a small piazza at south-west end of the captain's house.

PORT-ROYAL:

Partial repairs at the barracks and hospital, during the present year.

KINGSTON BARRACKS:

Sundry repairs at the hospital and guard-house: Officers and mens barracks, some trifling repairs.

KINGSTON GAOL:

Requires a partial repair, during the present year.

STONEY-HILL BARRACKS:

Sundry repairs, during the present year.

Ordered,

That the above two reports be referred to the committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

The resolution moved in the house on the 28th February last, that it be an instruction



struction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 150*l*. to James Wintle, in full for his services in attending the committee, appointed for stating and settling the public accounts, during the last and present session, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house, and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

Resolution for 150*l*. to J. Wintle, agreed to.

The resolution moved in the house on Friday last, that it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause, for paying to the order of the commissioners of the Bath of St. Thomas the Apostle, the sum of 250*l*. for the repairs of the hospital and bathing-house, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house, and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

Resolution for grant to the Bath, agreed to.

The resolution moved in the house on Friday last, that it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause for paying to Edward Bullock, the sum of 150*l*. for his trouble in attending the committee, to whom were referred, during the last session, his honour the lieutenant-governor's several messages, and their respective enclosures, relative to the maroons at Halifax, and for preparing a voluminous report thereon, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house, and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

Resolution for 150*l*. to E. Bullock, agreed to.

Ordered,

That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

*"We are ordered by the house, to wait on your honour, and to request that you will be pleased to direct the register of his majesty's court of vice-admiralty to attend the house, with the book of sales of prizes condemned in the said court, during the present war, and registered in his office."*

Message to his honour, respecting register of admiralty.

Ordered,

That Mr. Cockburn and Mr. Fitch be a committee to wait on his honour with the above message; who returning, reported the delivery thereof, and that his honour was pleased to say, he would give directions accordingly.

A message from his honour the lieutenant-governor, by his secretary, as follows:

"MR. SPEAKER,

*"I am commanded by his honour the lieutenant-governor to remind the house, that one of the leading points, in regard to the two thousand men alluded to in his grace the duke of Portland's letter, dated the 10th May, 1798, is the placing those troops in the interior of the island:*

Message from his honour, respecting barracks.

*"His honour therefore requests, that the house will be pleased to make such arrangements, with respect to barracks and other requisites, as will enable his honour to carry into execution, as soon as possible, the spirit of the resolutions of the house on that subject."*

Ordered,



*Ordered,*

That the above message be referred to the committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman, to print these Votes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

KEAN OSBORN, *Speaker, pro tempore.*

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Mercurii, 6<sup>o</sup> die Martii, 1799.

Alien bill passed.

*Prayers.* THE engrossed bill for establishing regulations respecting persons of a certain description arriving in this island, or resident therein, in certain cases, was read the third time:

*Resolved,*

That the said bill do pass.

*Ordered,*

That Mr. Quier and Mr. Shaw be a committee to carry the above engrossed bill, and also the engrossed bills of yesterday, to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

Amended Cornwall wharfage bill presented.

A motion being made, that leave be given to bring in a bill, to rescind, and make void in law, the meaning, force, and construction, of certain words contained in the second clause of an act passed in 1798, entitled, "An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to regulate wharfage and storage,' so far as the said act relates to the public wharves in the county of Cornwall;"

It was resolved in the affirmative, *nem. con.*

Then Mr. Perry, in his place, presented to the house such bill; which was received, and read the first time:

*Ordered,*

That the said bill be read a second time, this day.

Adjournment.

The house adjourned for one quarter of an hour:

And being met;

Amended Cornwall wharfage bill read second time;

The bill to rescind, and make void in law, the meaning, force, and construction, of certain words contained in the second clause of an act passed in 1798, entitled, "An act to amend an act, entitled, 'An act to regulate wharfage and storage,' so far as the said act relates to the public wharves in the county of Cornwall," was read a second time:

*Ordered,*

That the said bill be engrossed.

Engrossed.

Mr. Shirley, from the committee, appointed to collect and revise the minutes of the



the house, from the earliest records of its proceedings, and to cause the same to be printed under their inspection, after the manner of the Journals of the House of Commons, reported.

Report from committee for printing journals.

That, since the session of 1797, when their last report was made to the house, the fifth volume of the journals has been printed, and delivered to the members; and the printer is now proceeding with the sixth volume, which commences in 1767, and is already in some forwardness:

That a letter from Mr. Edwards has been read to the committee, stating, that owing to some arrangements making at the plantation-office, whilst all the business of selecting and compiling the materials for the first volume could not be entered upon, until after the meeting of parliament; but the committee are assured from Mr. Edwards, that, in concert with Mr. Sewell, the agent of this island, it will be completed during the present winter:

That, by their report of 1797, it was stated to the house, that an index had been compiled to the second volume; but the committee not having reason to be satisfied with the plan on which it was performed, and Mr. William Middleton James having undertaken to make the subsequent indexes, agreeably to a form lately adopted for the Votes of the House of Commons, in which is combined a variety of circumstances, that will afford a systematical arrangement to the work, the committee have directed the printer to forbear printing Mr. Powes's index, for the present, being desirous that in a work otherwise so well executed, an uniformity in this particular should be observed: Such an index to the third and fourth volumes will be completed for delivery to the members, by the next annual session:

That, under their direction, transcripts from the minute books have been made down to the year 1777, and there is due to Mr. James, for this service, the sum of 436*l.* 13*s.* 9*d.* as per the annexed account; for which they recommend that provision be made:

That, by the account also heretunto annexed, there is due to Mr. Aikman, for printing the journals, a balance of 474*l.*; and the committee recommend, that the sum of 3000*l.* be paid to him, in part of the same.

NOTE, For accounts, see appendix, No. II.

Resolved,

That the house do agree to the report:

Ordered,

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause or clauses, agreeably to the above report.

Mr. Cockburn, from the commissioners appointed by law, for stating and settling the public accounts, reported,

Report from commissioners of public accounts.

That the commissioners recommended to the house, to appoint a committee, to prepare and bring in a bill to repeal two several acts, one passed on the 25th day of March, in the year 1796, entitled, "An act to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise several sums of money for the public service; and for other purposes;" and the other passed on the 21st day of December, in the said year 1796, entitled, "An act to alter and amend an act entitled, 'An act to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise several sums of money for the public service; and for other purposes,'" and to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise certain sums of money for the public service, at an interest not exceeding eight pounds *per centum*, in order to pay off and discharge the public certificates, now due and outstanding, bearing interest at ten pounds *per centum*:

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Resolved,



*Resolved,*

That the house do agree to the report:

*Ordered,*

That Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Shirley, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Perry, and Mr. Thompson, be a committee to prepare and bring in a bill, agreeably to the above report.

Report from committee of accounts.

Mr. Fitch, from the committee, appointed for stating and settling the public accounts, reported,

That the committee had examined several other accounts which stood referred to them, and were of opinion, that the following persons should be paid the sums set opposite their respective names:

Alexander Gowie, for work done at Gibraltar-Point, in the parish of St. George, for mounting and cleaning guns, and for gun-carriages	153	0	0
Lieutenant-colonel M'Murdo, for lodging-money paid by him to the officers of the York hussars	134	6	11
John Michael Dwyer, his account for translating papers	4	10	0
Thomas Cockburn, as trustee to Mrs. Robson, for hire of five pioneers, from December 25th, 1797, to December 31st, 1798	310	0	0

That the committee submit to the consideration of the house, the propriety of purchasing negroes, to fill up the number of pioneers required for each regiment respectively; or hiring them by the year; as the present rate of 3s. 4d. *per* day, amounts to 60*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.* a-year, for each negro: If, in addition to the sum of 8½*d.* sterling *per* day, allowed by the paymaster of the regiment, a reasonable sum was offered by the country, a considerable expence might be saved in hiring pioneers by the year.

*Ordered,*

That the above report be referred to the committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island:

Committee on state of the island,

The house, according to order, resolved itself into such committee:

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, left the chair.

Mr. Thompson took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, returned the chair.

report 29 resolutions.

Mr. Thompson, from the committee, reported twenty-nine resolutions, which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where being again severally read, were agreed unto by the house, and are as follows:

1. That the committee, not having before them the accounts that were to have been sent by his excellency sir John Wentworth, can only give it as their opinion, that they see no reasons at present to recommend it to the house, to alter their resolution of the 21st December, 1797:

*Resolved,*

That a message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor, with a copy of the above resolution.

2. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 507*l.* 12*s.* 5*d.* to the officers of the 20th regiment of light dragoons, being the amount of the sums set opposite to their respective names, in the account for lodging-money, sent down to the house by his honour the lieutenant-governor, the last session.

3. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 209*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.* to John Thomas William Bennett, in full for sundry printing business by him performed in the public service.

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vice, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 27th February last.

4. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 3684*l.* 9*s.* 2*d.* to Alexander Aikman, in full for printing laws, resolutions of the house, and for various other business by him done and performed, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of 27th February last.

5. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 103*l.* 14*s.* 4*d.* to Lunan and Lewis, in full for sundry printing business by them done and performed, and for stationary furnished the commissioners of the board of works, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 27th of February last.

6. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 97*l.* 10*s.* 5*d.* to Stevenson and Aikman, in full for sundry printing business by them done and performed in the public service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 27th February last.

7. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 75*l.* 15*s.* to James Fannin, in full for sundry printing business by him done and performed in the public service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 27th February last.

8. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 62*l.* 1*s.* 3*d.* to Thomas Stevenson, executor of David Dickson, deceased, in full of an account due from the public to the said David Dickson, for sundry printing business, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 27th February last.

9. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 217*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.* to James Lyon and company, for sundry liquors supplied to different parties on public service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 27th February last.

10. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 44*l.* 2*s.* 1*d.* to Cuninghame and Fergusson, for sundry articles supplied for the public service, by order of his honour the lieutenant-governor, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 27th February last.

11. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 45*l.* to David Gourley, for fifteen dozen cutlasses, with scabbards, furnished the Trelawny public commissioners for the use of parties on service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 27th February last.

12. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 146*l.* to William Dance, deputy-marshal for Kingston, &c. for monies advanced for the maintenance of prisoners, confined in gaol for debt, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 27th February last.

13. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 48*l.* 3*s.* 9*d.* to George Fletcher Coward, deputy-marshal for Trelawny and St. James, for the maintenance of prisoners confined in gaol, and for expences incurred in their removal from one prison



to another, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 27th February last.

14. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 234*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.* to James Stewart, deputy-marshal for Westmorland, &c. for sundry advances made for prisoners committed to his custody, and for two lightning rods for the Westmorland gaol, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 27th February last.

15. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 30*l.* to the reverend Robert Stanton Woodham, for having permitted a monument to be erected in the chancel of the parish-church of St. Catherine, to the memory of the late earl and countess of Effingham; and the further sum of 20*l.* for having permitted one other monument to be erected, in the south-aisle of the said church, to the memory of the late Mrs. Williamson, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 27th February last.

16. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 962*l.* 16*s.* 6½*d.* to the commanding officer of the 20th regiment of light dragoons, in full of the contingent account reported due to the said regiment, by the committee of accounts, on the 27th February last.

17. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 55*l.* to Benjamin Samuda, for boat-hire, in the embarking of the 13th regiment of light dragoons, and in the disembarkation of the York hussars, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 27th February last.

18. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 87*l.* 13*s.* 9*d.* to John Henderson, for wharfage and wainage of several articles of public stores, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 27th February last.

19. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 240*l.* 14*s.* 6*d.* to John White, attorney to Andrew White, for cattle and other necessities supplied the militia, whilst on service in St. Elizabeth, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 27th February last.

20. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 30*l.* 5*s.* to Patrick White, for coffee furnished the troops stationed on Oxford estate, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 27th February last.

21. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 125*l.* 1*s.* 3*d.* to John Dobson, for landing the York hussars, and landing sundry baggage of the 13th regiment of light dragoons, and for the hire of a shallop, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 27th February last.

22. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 115*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.* to John Macfarlane, for wharfage of sundry articles, and for boat-hire in embarking a part of the 13th light dragoons, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 27th February last.

23. That it be recommended to the house, to refuse payment of the accounts of  
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James Stewart, deputy-marshal for St. Elizabeth and Westmorland, annexed to his petitions to the house the last session, for the maintenance of prisoners of war.

24. That it be recommended to the house, to deny the prayer of the petition of doctor James Lawson, sent down to the house in his honour the lieutenant-governor's message of the 19th December last, the said doctor James Lawson not being an island mate.

25. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 100*l.* to the commanding officer of the grenadier company of the second battalion of the Kingston regiment of militia, to be distributed among the officers, non-commissioned officers, and privates, of the said company, who were on service in the parish of Trelawny, during the maroon rebellion, as a reward for having killed a maroon called Coming, as by their petition to the house, the last session.

26. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 50*l.* to Donald Campbell, captain of Fort-Montego, for his trouble in collecting arms, by the direction of the lieutenant-governor, and for his care of arms, &c. as stated in his petition to the house, the last session.

27. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 45*l.* 7*s.* 6*d.* to Thomas Weir Taylor, for a puncheon of rum, and 200*lbs.* weight of coffee, supplied the militia on service, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last.

28. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 480*l.* 8*s.* 3*d.* to John White, for the hire of mules, carts, and negroes, supplied for the public service, and for fat cattle furnished detachments of the militia, on service against the rebellious runaway slaves, in the county of Cornwall, agreeably to the report from the committee of accounts, of the 18th December last; and also for paying the further sum of 55*l.* 2*s.* to the said John White, being the amount of an account for grass, supplied horses belonging to detachments of the militia on public service, and not included in the said report.

29. That it be recommended to the house, to deny the prayer of the petition of Clotworthy Dobbin, presented to the house, the last session.

Then Mr. Thompson acquainted the house, that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again:

*Resolved,*

That this house will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration, the state of the island.

A motion being made, that the house do come to the following resolution;

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 700*l.* to James Lewis, esquire, clerk to the house, in consideration of his extraordinary trouble and attendance, during the present session:

Remuneration to clerk to the house.

*Ordered,*

That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

Three days rule.

A motion being made, that the house do come to the following resolution;

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 400*l.* to

To sergeant at arms.



Benjamin Lyon, esquire, serjeant at arms, in consideration of his extraordinary trouble and attendance, during the present session:

*Ordered,*

Three days rule.

That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

A motion being made, that the house do come to the following resolution;

To the chaplain.

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 140*l.* to the reverend Thomas Warren, chaplain to the assembly, in consideration of his extraordinary trouble and attendance, during the session of June, 1798, and the present session:

*Ordered,*

Three days rule.

That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

A motion being made, that the house do come to the following resolution;

To T. Wills.

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 50*l.* to Mr. Thomas Wills, for his extraordinary trouble and attendance on the house, during the present session:

*Ordered,*

Three days rule.

That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

A motion being made, that the house do come to the following resolution;

To clerk of secret committee.

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money bills stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 150*l.* to James Wintle, in full for his services in attending the secret committee of safety, during the last session:

*Ordered,*

Three days rule.

That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

A motion being made, that the house do come to the following resolution;

To serjeant at arms, for executing orders of secret committee.

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 100*l.* to Benjamin Lyon, esquire, serjeant at arms, for his extraordinary trouble and expences, in executing the orders of the secret committee of safety, during the last session:

*Ordered,*

Three days rule.

That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

A motion being made, that the house do come to the following resolution;

To naval officer, for return of produce.

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 50*l.* to the naval officer, for his trouble in preparing and making a return of the different articles of the produce of this island, exported from September, 1797, to September, 1798, agreeably to the order of the house:

*Ordered,*

Three days rule.

That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

A motion being made, that the house do come to the following resolution;

To T. Wills, for making cloths for speaker's tables.

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 50*l.* to Thomas Wills, for his extraordinary expence and trouble, in making two cloths for the speaker's tables:

*Ordered,*

Three days rule.

That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

A motion



A motion being made, that the house do come to the following resolution;

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 50*l*. to Elizabeth Sylvester, in consideration of the services performed by her late reputed husband, Thomas Hanlon, during the maroon rebellion: Motion for 50*l*. to E. Sylvester.

Ordered,

That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house. Three days rule.

Ordered,

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom the poll-tax bill stands committed, to receive a clause for adding the honourable John Mowat, James Stewart, Peter Francklyn, Andrew Gairdner, and James Campbell, to the commissioners appointed for laying out two grants of money, made severally in 1794 and 1795, for the repairs of the great internal road of communication, from Montego-Bay to St. Ann; and that the receiver-general do pay any orders which may be drawn on him, by any three of such commissioners, such orders to be drawn in the manner prescribed at the time of making the said grants. New commissioners added for former grants.

Ordered,

That the evidence taken before the secret committee of safety, and laid before the house during the last session, be printed, and annexed to the minutes of that session. Evidence of secret committee to be printed.

Ordered,

That Robert Whitfinch, collecting constable for the parish of St. Thomas in the East, be taken into the custody of the serjeant at arms, attending this house; and that Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, do issue his warrant for that purpose. R. Whitfinch, collecting constable, ordered into custody.

Ordered,

That Mr. Cockburn and Mr. Shaw have leave to petition the council, on the passage of the bill to repeal part of an act entitled, "An act for making Kingston a parish;" for ascertaining and fixing the boundaries of the said parish of Kingston; and for granting compensation to the parish of St. Andrew. Leave to members to petition council.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Ashman to print these Notes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

KEAN OSBORN, *Speaker, pro tempore*.

Tobis, 7<sup>o</sup> die Martii, 1799.

**Papers.** THE engrossed bill to rescind, and make void in law, the meaning, force, and construction, of certain words contained in the second clause of an act passed in the year 1798, entitled, "An act to amend an act, entitled, 'An act to regulate Amended Cornwall wharfage bill passed.



regulate wharfage and storage, so far as the said act relates to the public wharves in the county of Cornwall," was read the third time:

*Resolved,*

That the said bill do pass.

*Ordered,*

That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

Message to his honour, respecting maroons at Halifax.

"We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to lay before you a copy of a resolution yesterday reported to the house, from the committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take into consideration the state of the island, to whom were referred your honour's several messages, and their respective enclosures, of the last session, relative to the maroons at Halifax, and to which the house have agreed."

*Ordered,*

That Mr. Shaw and Mr. Cockburn be a committee to wait on his honour with the above message; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

Amended prize-goods bill, read second time.

The bill to explain and amend an act entitled, "An act for the relief of captors of prizes, with respect to the bringing and landing certain prize-goods, in this island," was read a second time:

*Resolved,*

That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house, to-morrow.

Bill for removing Fort-Balcarres, read second time.

The bill for removing the fort, magazine, and barracks, at Falmouth, in Tre-lawny; for the purchasing of land adjoining the said town, and erecting new buildings thereon, of the like description; and for other purposes, was read a second time:

*Resolved,*

That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house, to-morrow.

Report from commissioners of public accounts.

Mr. Cockburn, from the commissioners appointed by law, for stating and settling the public accounts, reported,

That the commissioners had appointed a committee, to inspect the sales of prize cargoes, condemned in the court of vice-admiralty, who had made the following report:

"That it appeared to them, the whole number of libels this war, to the present time, are 670, and they have been furnished with the sales book of messieurs Willis and Waterhouse, who, as agents, sold 387 of those prizes, amongst which only 15 appear to have had such dutiable goods on board; it was asserted to your committee that all such goods were sold for exportation, except some very inconsiderable articles, and except 1290 gallons of brandy sold to Mr. — Elder, whose engagement to pay the duty thereon remains in the receiver-general's office: But your committee had not sufficient means of informing themselves, whether such goods, declaredly sold for exportation, were exported or not; they have more reason to doubt it, than to believe it:

"Your committee had a cursory view of the sales of prizes, recorded by the registrar of the court of vice-admiralty, sworn to by the different prize agents; and lament that their time did not allow a close inspection of that book, as several cu-rious



rious facts appeared, which, for want of a particular examination, they decline (for the present) to report upon; but it appeared to your committee, that Mr. James Kingston, a prize agent, since deceased, charged in his sales, in several instances, the island duties and a fee of 8*l.* 5*s.* as paid the receiver-general; which said duty and fee, your committee were informed, were not paid into his office: Also, that Mr. Thomas Holcombe, another prize agent, since deceased, charged the island duties in the sales of the prize schooner Ranger and cargo, amounting to 78*l.* 10*s.* 10*d.* which your committee were informed, has not yet been paid to the receiver-general.

"Messieurs Aspinall and Hardy appear to have paid the receiver-general the sum of 225*l.* 11*s.* as the island duties on goods, by the prize ship Massachusetts:

"Your committee had an opportunity of seeing that several prizes have not netted sufficient to pay the charges thereon, and a considerable number have not netted 50*l.* currency; so that, however desirable it may be, that the island duties should be paid on such prize goods as are liable thereto, it would prove a great hardship on our gallant defenders, the officers and crews of the British navy, to be subject to pay official fees on the vast proportion of prizes, in which such dutiable goods are not found:

"Your committee are of opinion, that the prize act, passed in 1793, requires to be amended and explained, or even repealed, as it relates only to French prizes; whereas we are now at war with other powers; but your committee conceive there may not be time, this session, to complete such new act with the requisite regulations:

"Your committee wish to have an early opportunity of again inspecting the registrar's sales book, as there are many other prize-agents, whose books of sales your committee did not see."

*Ordered,*

That the above report be referred to the committee of the whole house, to whom the bill to explain and amend "An act for the relief of captors of prizes, with respect to the bringing and landing certain prize-goods in this island," stands committed.

The resolution moved in the house on the 28th ultimo, that it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom the poll-tax bill stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 300*l.* to the order of the honourable Alexander Fullerton, Lewis Cuthbert, James Henry, John Taylor, and John Hutchison, or any three of them, towards completing the road from Kelly's pen to Simpson's gate, in the parish of St. Ann, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house; and being again read;

And a motion being made, that the house do agree thereto;

A debate thereon arising; and the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

The resolution moved in the house on the 28th ultimo, that it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom the poll-tax bill stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 350*l.* to the order of the honourable Alexander Fullerton, James Henry, Samuel Risby Whitehorne, Charles Steer, John Scarlett, and James Sims, or any three of them, towards completing the road from Simpson's gate to Chippenham-Park, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house; and being again read;

And a motion being made, that the house do agree thereto;

A debate thereon arising; and the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Resolution for a road grant, agreed to.

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The resolution moved in the house on the 28th ultimo, that it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom the poll-tax bill stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 350*l.* to the order of the honourable Alexander Fullerton, Thomas Partridge Tharp, Patrick Smith, George Cruickshank, James Davidson, and Thomas Walker, or any three of them, towards completing the road from Chippenham-Park to the confines of Trelawny, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house; and being again read; And a motion being made, that the house do agree thereto; A debate thereon arising; and the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Committee on state  
of the island,

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island:

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, left the chair.

Mr. Thompson took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, resumed the chair.

report 8 resolutions.

Mr. Thompson, from the committee, reported eight resolutions, which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where the first resolution being again read, was agreed unto by the house, and is as follows:

*Resolved,*

That it is the opinion of this committee, that the house, in passing the resolution of the 28th November, 1797, for supporting two thousand men, in addition to such British forces as his majesty may be pleased to station in this island, at the sole expence of this country, had in view the establishment of an efficient and permanent defence; and, by providing the means best suited to settle these men, after the period of their military services, in the interior parts of the country, gradually to increase population; and thereby add to the militia, which is the best and most constitutional defence against an invading enemy, and internal commotions.

The second resolution being again read, is as follows:

*Resolved,*

That, from the extract of a letter from his grace the duke of Portland, dated 10th May, 1798, sent down to the house by his honour the lieutenant-governor, on the 8th November last, stating the impossibility, in the present exigency, to raise, either in the British dominions in Europe, or abroad, the four regiments to be paid and subsisted by the island, of the exact description set forth in the resolutions of the house of the 28th November, 1797, and that his majesty had been graciously pleased to allow two battalions of the 60th regiment, to consist of two thousand men, as a substitute for the four regiments required; and also, from the extract of another letter from the duke of Portland, dated the 28th October last, sent down to the house in his honour's first message of the 26th ultimo; it is the opinion of this committee, that it is expedient, under the existing circumstances of this country, to accept the substitute graciously offered by his majesty:

And a motion being made, that the house do come to the following resolution, instead thereof;

*Resolved,*

That the reservation expressed in the duke of Portland's letter, of the 10th of May, 1798, of the power of changing, whenever, and as often as his majesty shall think proper, the two thousand men which the island offers to pay, and of substituting an equal number of troops in their place, is totally inadmissible, and incompatible with the grand object of colonisation, which induced the house to make the liberal proposal to government, contained in their resolutions of the 28th November, 1797:

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The house divided:

The ayes went forth:

*Ayes*, 11:—Mr. Reid, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Mowat, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Grant, Mr. Henckell, Mr. Spooner, Mr. Quier, and Mr. Macleod.

*Noes*, 21:—Mr. Chriffie, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Redwood, Mr. Telfer, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Ross, Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Shirley, Mr. Francklyn, Mr. Fitch, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Jaques, Mr. Henry, Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Tharp, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Perry, Mr. Lyon, and Mr. Turner.

So it passed in the negative.

*Resolved*,

That the house do agree to the report:

The third resolution being again read, is as follows:

*Resolved*,

That it is the opinion of this committee, that as soon as the 4th battalion of the 60th regiment, now quartered in this island, shall be completed to one thousand men, the whole expence for the pay and subsistence thereof ought to be borne by this country, as also that of the 1st battalion, from the time of its arrival in this island:

And a motion being made, that the house do come to the following resolution, instead thereof;

*Resolved*,

That the troops mentioned in the duke of Portland's letter, of the 10th of May, 1798, are not of the description wanted by this island, and expressed in the resolutions of the house of the 28th November, 1797, and therefore that they cannot be accepted:

The house divided:

The ayes went forth:

*Ayes*, 10:—Mr. Reid, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Mowat, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Grant, Mr. Spooner, Mr. Quier, and Mr. Macleod.

*Noes*, 22:—Mr. Chriffie, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Redwood, Mr. Telfer, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Ross, Mr. Henckell, Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Shirley, Mr. Francklyn, Mr. Fitch, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Jaques, Mr. Henry, Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Tharp, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Perry, Mr. Lyon, and Mr. Turner.

So it passed in the negative.

*Resolved*,

That the house do agree to the report.

The fourth resolution being again read, is as follows:

*Resolved*,

That it is the opinion of this committee, that it will be highly necessary, in order to render the two thousand men competent to the purposes intended, that all such of them as may be found exceptionable, shall be removed, and be replaced by others, of the description mentioned in the eighth resolution of the house, of the 28th November, 1797, as promised in the duke of Portland's dispatch of the 10th May last, on which this committee have the fullest reliance:

And a motion being made, that the house do come to the following resolution, instead thereof;

*Resolved*,

That this house will accept and provide for such troops as are now in the island, of the description they want, on the terms and conditions stipulated in their resolutions



tions of the 28th November, 1797, provided such men may be offered, shall have wives or families.

The house divided:

The ayes went forth:

*Ayes*, 10:—Mr. Reid, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Mowat, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Grant, Mr. Spooner, Mr. Quier, and Mr. Macleod.

*Noes*, 22:—Mr. Christie, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Redwood, Mr. Telfer, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Ross, Mr. Henckell, Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Shirley, Mr. Francklyn, Mr. Fitch, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Jaques, Mr. Henry, Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Tharp, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Perry, Mr. Lyon, and Mr. Turner.

So it passed in the negative.

*Resolved*,

That the house do agree to the report.

The fifth resolution being again read, is as follows:

*Resolved*,

That it is the opinion of this committee, that the men of the first and fourth battalions of the 60th regiment having been enlisted for five years only, at which period it is expressed by the secretary of state, that they shall be entitled to small settlements in the interior of the country, unless a part of them should be induced, by the offer of a new bounty, to enlist for a further term of three or five years; great inconvenience and additional expence will be incurred, by settling all at once, such a number of persons as may remain of these two battalions, in the interior of the country, at the expiration of their present engagement; to prevent which, measures ought to be provided:

And a motion being made, that the house do come to the following resolution, instead thereof;

*Resolved*,

That as soon as the number of troops, of the description wanted, and which the assembly has engaged to accept, can be completed, this house will receive and provide for them, in manner, and on the terms, already proposed in their resolutions of the 28th November, 1797:

The house divided:

The ayes went forth:

*Ayes*, 10:—Mr. Reid, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Mowat, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Grant, Mr. Spooner, Mr. Quier, and Mr. Macleod.

*Noes*, 22:—Mr. Christie, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Redwood, Mr. Telfer, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Ross, Mr. Henckell, Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Shirley, Mr. Francklyn, Mr. Fitch, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Jaques, Mr. Henry, Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Tharp, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Perry, Mr. Lyon, and Mr. Turner.

So it passed in the negative.

*Resolved*,

That the house do agree to the report.

The sixth resolution being again read, is as follows:

*Resolved*,

That it is the opinion of this committee, that although his majesty has been pleased to reserve to himself the power of changing, whenever, and as often as he shall think proper, the two battalions furnished for the exclusive service of Jamaica, to be in such case replaced by an equal number of troops appropriated for the same service, the committee have the fullest reliance on his majesty's paternal solicitude for the security and interest of his majesty's loyal subjects of this colony, that no such



such change shall take place, unless on great and unforeseen emergencies, and in which this colony shall be directly implicated; it being evident, that the removal of the said two battalions, after they have been accustomed to the climate, and the nature of service best calculated for our defence, and having formed expectations of obtaining settlements in the interior, to be replaced by other troops, not inured to the climate, and not sufficiently trained for immediate military service, would entirely defeat one of the great objects the house had in contemplation; that of adding to the population and militia of the island:

And a motion being made, that the house do agree to the report;

A debate thereon arising; and the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

The seventh resolution being again read, is as follows:

*Resolved,*

That it is the opinion of this committee, that such arrangements should be made, with respect to the expenditure which this country engaged to provide, for the pay and subsistence of the two thousand troops, as may be most suitable, in point of economy and convenience, and as shall be consistent with the general rules of the British army; and that the committee recommend to the house, to appoint a special committee, to take the subject-matter of this, and of their fifth resolution, into immediate consideration, and to report their opinion thereon, to the house:

And a motion being made, that the house do agree to the report;

A debate thereon arising; and the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative:

*Ordered,*

That Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Shirley, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Henry, and Mr. Fitch, be a committee for that purpose.

The eighth resolution being again read, is as follows:

*Resolved,*

That it is the opinion of this committee, that, in order effectually to obtain the advantages to be derived from the two thousand men, to be paid and subsisted at the sole expence of the island, it is highly expedient and necessary, that they should be quartered in the interior of each county in this island; and that barracks, or such other accommodations, should be forthwith provided, in such situations, as shall appear best calculated for that purpose:

And a motion being made, that the house do agree to the report;

A debate thereon arising; and the question being put, it was resolved in the affirmative.

Then Mr. Thompson acquainted the house, that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again:

*Resolved,*

That this house will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed, to lay before his honour the lieutenant-governor, copies of the resolutions this day reported from the committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island, and agreed unto by the house;

*Ordered,*

That Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Shirley, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Henry, and Mr. Fitch, be a committee for that purpose.

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*Ordered,*

Resolutions to be  
laid before his ho-  
nour.



*Ordered.*

To be published.

That the said resolutions, and the proceedings of the house thereon, be published in the Royal Gazette, for one month.

*Resolved.*

New commissioners added for former grants.

That Samuel Pleydell and Robert Souper Bayley be added to the commissioners named in the report from the committee, appointed to appropriate the grant of 4000*l.* to each county, towards carrying on and completing such internal roads of communication, as may be necessary to encourage settlers to cultivate lands at a distance from the sea, for laying out the several sums of money, recommended by the said report to be appropriated, for the carrying on and repairing of roads in the parish of St. John.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Ashman to print these Notes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

K. E. A. N. O. S. B. O. R. N., *Speaker*, pro tempore.

Veneris, 8<sup>o</sup> die Martii, 1799.

Prayers. **ORDERED.**

That Mr. Perry and Mr. Ross be a committee to carry the engrossed bill of yesterday to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

8 per cent. loan bill, presented.

Mr. Cockburn, according to order, presented to the house, a bill to repeal two several acts, one passed on the 25th day of March, in the year 1796, entitled, "An act to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise several sums of money for the public service; and for other purposes;" and the other passed on the 21st day of December, in the said year 1796, entitled, "An act to alter and amend an act entitled, 'An act to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise several sums of money for the public service; and for other purposes;' and to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise certain sums of money for the public service, at an interest not exceeding eight pounds *per centum*, in order to pay off and discharge the public certificates now due and outstanding, bearing interest at ten pounds *per centum*;" which was received, and read the first time:

*Ordered.*

That the said bill be read a second time, this day.

Adjournment.

The house adjourned for one quarter of an hour:  
And being met;

8 per cent. loan bill, read second time.

The bill to repeal two several acts, one passed on the 25th day of March, in the year 1796, entitled, "An act to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise several sums of money for the public service; and for other purposes;" and the other passed on the 21st day of December, in the said year 1796, entitled, "An act



act to alter and amend an act entitled, ' An act to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise several sums of money for the public service; and for other purposes;' and to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise certain sums of money for the public service, at an interest not exceeding eight pounds *per centum*, in order to pay-off and discharge the public certificates now due and outstanding, bearing interest at ten pounds *per centum*, was read a second time:

*Resolved,*

That the said bill be committed to a committee of the whole house, to-morrow.

Mr. Cuthbert, from the committee, appointed to lay before his honour the lieutenant-governor, copies of the resolutions of the house of yesterday, on the report from the committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island, reported, that the committee had accordingly waited on his honour, and laid before him copies of the said resolutions.

Resolutions laid before his honour.

Mr. Fitch, from the committee, appointed for stating and settling the public accounts, reported,

Report from committee of accounts.

That the committee had examined the account of James Killi-Kelly, printer of the Jamaica Mercury, for sundry advertisements inserted in his said paper, agreeably to the orders of the house, amounting to the sum of 22*l.* 10*s.* and are of opinion, that the same ought to be paid.

*Ordered,*

That the above report be referred to the committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

The resolution moved in the house on Wednesday last, that it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 700*l.* to James Lewis, esquire, clerk to the house, in consideration of his extraordinary trouble and attendance, during the present session, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house; and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

Resolution for 700*l.* to clerk to the house, agreed to.

The resolution moved in the house on Wednesday last, that it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 400*l.* to Benjamin Lyon, esquire, serjeant at arms, in consideration of his extraordinary trouble and attendance, during the present session, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house; and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

Resolution for 400*l.* to serjeant at arms, agreed to.

The resolution moved in the house on Wednesday last, that it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 140*l.* to the reverend Thomas Warren, chaplain to the assembly, in consideration of his extraordinary trouble and attendance, during the session of June, 1798, and the present session, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house; and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

Resolution for 140*l.* to the chaplain, agreed to.

The resolution moved in the house on Wednesday last, that it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 50*l.* to Mr. Thomas Wills, for his extraordinary trouble and attendance on the house, during the present session, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house, and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

Resolution for 50*l.* to T. Wills, agreed to.

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Resolution for 150*l*.  
to clerk of secret  
committee, agreed  
to.

The resolution moved in the house on Wednesday last, that it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 150*l*. to James Wintle, in full for his services in attending the secret committee of safety, during the last session, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house; and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

Resolution for 100*l*.  
to sergeant at arms,  
for executing orders  
of secret committee,  
agreed to.

The resolution moved in the house on Wednesday last, that it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 100*l*. to Benjamin Lyon, esquire, sergeant at arms, for his extraordinary trouble and expences in executing the orders of the secret committee of safety, during the last session, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house; and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

Resolution for 50*l*.  
to naval officer, for  
return of produce,  
agreed to.

The resolution moved in the house on Wednesday last, that it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 50*l*. to the naval-officer, for his trouble in preparing and making a return of the different articles of the produce of this island, exported from September, 1797, to September, 1798, agreeably to the order of the house, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house; and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

Resolution for 50*l*.  
to T. Wills, for mak-  
ing cloths for speak-  
er's tables, agreed to.

The resolution moved in the house on Wednesday last, that it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 50*l*. to Thomas Wills, for his extraordinary expence and trouble, in making two cloths for the speaker's tables, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house; and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

Resolution for 50*l*.  
to E. Sylvester,  
agreed to.

The resolution moved in the house on Wednesday last, that it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom either of the money-bills stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 50*l*. to Elizabeth Sylvester, in consideration of the services performed by her late reputed husband, Thomas Hanlon, during the maroon rebellion, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house; and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

Committee on state  
of the island,

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island:

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, left the chair.

Mr. Thompson took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, resumed the chair.

report 10 resolu-  
tions.

Mr. Thompson, from the committee, reported ten resolutions, which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where being again severally read, were agreed unto by the house, and are as follows:

1. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill, for paying to James Killi Kelly, printer of the Jamaica Mercury, the sum of 22*l*. 10*s*. for printing work done by him, agreeably to his petition to the house, of the 7th November last.

2. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill, for paying the sum of 153*l*. to Alexander Gowie, for work done at Gibraltar-Point, in the parish of St. George, for mounting and cleaning guns, and for gun-carriages, as by his petition to the house, the last session.

3. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-



poll-tax bill, for paying the sum of 124*l.* 6*s.* 11*d.* to lieutenant-colonel M'Murdo, being the amount paid by him to the officers of the York hussars for lodging-money, as by the account sent down to the house, in his honour the lieutenant-governor's message of the 1st instant.

4. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill, for paying the sum of 4*l.* 10*s.* to John Michael Dwyer, in full of his account for translating papers, as by the account sent down to the house, in his honour the lieutenant-governor's message of the 1st instant.

5. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill, for paying the sum of 310*l.* to Thomas Cockburn, esquire, as trustee to Mrs. Robson, for the hire of five pioneers, from 25th December, 1797, to 31st December, 1798, as by the account sent down to the house, in his honour the lieutenant-governor's message of the 1st instant.

6. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill, for paying to the commander in chief the sum of 23,204*l.* 2*s.* 4*d.* for one year's pay and subsistence of the 20th regiment of light dragoons, to the 25th day of December next, including the augmented pay, established the 25th of May, 1797; also the further sum of 4393*l.* 13*s.* 10*d.* for two years pay and subsistence of the additional troop, from 25th December, 1796, to 25th December, 1798; and also the further sum of 2196*l.* 16*s.* 11*d.* for one year's pay and subsistence of such additional troop, to 25th December next.

7. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill, for paying to the order of the honourable William Dawes Quarrell, the sum of 842*l.* 14*s.* 5*d.* being the balance reported to be due to him, upon his account for maroon expenditure, up to the 22d July, 1797.

8. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill, for paying to the order of the honourable William Dawes Quarrell, the sum of 2970*l.* 12*s.* 0*d.* being the amount of expences and charges he has been put unto, in consequence of his absence from this island, in the service thereof.

9. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill, for paying to the order of the honourable William Dawes Quarrell, the sum of 5000*l.* for his services rendered this island, since the commencement of the maroon war, and which has occasioned an absence from his own affairs, upwards of three years.

10. That it be recommended to the house, to send a message to his honour the lieutenant-governor, requesting that he will be pleased to order such a force of regular troops, to a post near Hector's River, lately occupied by colonel Brereton, as he may deem necessary for the protection of the settlers in that district, against the rebellious runaway negroes.

Then Mr. Thompson acquainted the house, that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again:

*Resolved,*

That this house will, to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill for removing the fort, magazine, and barracks, at Falmouth, in Trelawny; for the purchasing of lands adjoining the said town, and erecting new buildings thereon, of the like description; and for other purposes:

Trelawny fort bill  
committed;

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, left the chair.

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Report to be received this day three months.

Mr. Stewart took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, resumed the chair.

Mr. Stewart, from the committee, acquainted the house, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the house, when the house will be pleased to receive the same:

*Ordered,*

That the report be received this day three months.

Two messages from his honour the lieutenant-governor, by his secretary, as follows:

*First message.*

"MR. SPEAKER,

Message from his honour, respecting board of police.

"I am commanded by his honour the lieutenant-governor to inform the house, that, on the 28th of November last, he had the honour to send a message to the house, respecting the board of police:

"I am now ordered to inform the house, that he requests that message may be taken into their consideration, during the present sessions.

"His honour also commands me to inform the house, that he appointed monsieur Barthelemy de Riviere, to be clerk to the commissioners of Port-Royal, and sergeant Willocks, of the royal artillery, to board the vessels, upon their arrival.

"I am also commanded by his honour to lay before the house, the several accounts of the expences attending the board of police at Kingston."

NOTE, For these several accounts see appendix, No. III.

*Second message.*

"MR. SPEAKER,

Message from his honour, respecting pioneers.

"I am commanded by his honour the lieutenant-governor to inform the house, that several of the pioneers, serving with regiments on the establishment of this island, have become unfit for duty, from length of service; some of them have served in Jamaica, since the close of the American war:

"That this bears extremely hard upon the troops, who necessarily require able and active pioneers:

"His honour also calls to the attention and humanity of the house, the situation of those pioneers, who have served long and faithfully, and who have claims to be supported in their old age:

"His honour has not obtained correct returns of the number of pioneers who have actually served twenty years in that capacity, but he conceives their number exceeds ten, and does not exceed twenty; he therefore recommends the case of these invalids, who are free negroes, to the consideration of the house."

*Ordered,*



1799.

Keneris, 8<sup>o</sup> Martii.

Ordered,

That the above two messages, and the papers therewith sent, be referred to the committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

Two messages from the council, by their clerk, as follows:

*First message.*

"MR. SPEAKER,

"I am commanded by the council to acquaint the house, that they have agreed to the bill entitled, 'An act to prevent any intercourse and communication between the slaves of this island, and foreign slaves, of a certain description; and for other purposes,' with the following amendments:

Message from council, on foreign slave bill.

In the 10th line from the top of the first sheet, dele the word 'six,' and, in place thereof, insert the word 'nine.'

In the 17th line from the top of the same sheet, dele the word 'six,' and, in place thereof, insert the word 'nine.'

In the 22d line from the top of the second sheet, dele the word 'six,' and, in place thereof, insert the word 'nine.'

In the 9th line from the top of the third sheet, dele the word "six," and, in place thereof, insert the word 'nine.'

In the last line of the sixth sheet, dele the word 'six,' and, in place thereof, insert the word 'nine.'

In the 20th line of the eighth sheet, dele the words 'to the landward of this island.'

Resolved, nem. con.

That the house do disagree to the amendments proposed by the council to the said bill, and do adhere to their bill.

*Second message.*

"MR. SPEAKER,

"I am commanded by the council to acquaint the house, that they have agreed to the bill entitled 'An act for establishing regulations respecting persons of a certain description, arriving in this island, or resident therein, in certain cases;' with the following amendments:

Message from council, on alien bill

Dele the word 'be,' in the second line from the bottom of the first sheet, and all the following words, to the end of the 8th line of the second sheet.

In the 2d line of the last sheet, after the word 'same,' insert the following clauses: 'Provided, that nothing in this act contained shall extend, or be construed to extend, to affect persons who have been or shall be naturalized, under or by virtue of any act of parliament of Great-Britain, or have had letters patent of denization granted them.'

'And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this act shall continue and be in force, from the passing thereof, until the thirty-first day of December, which will be in the year one thousand eight hundred, and no longer.'

Resolved,

That the house do disagree to the first amendment proposed by the council to the said bill, and do agree to the second amendment proposed by their honours.

Ordered,



Veneris, 8<sup>o</sup> Martii.

1799.

Ordered,

Leave to a member  
to petition council.

That Mr. Perry have leave to petition the council on the passage of the bill to rescind, and make void in law, the meaning, force, and construction, of certain words contained in the second clause of an act passed in the year 1798, entitled, "An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to regulate wharfage and storage,' so far as the said act relates to the public wharves in the county of Cornwall."

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Ashman to print these Notes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

KEAN OSBORN, Speaker, pro tempore.

Sabbati, 9<sup>o</sup> die Martii, 1799.

Prayers. ORDERED,

That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

Message to his honour, respecting the stationing of troops.

"We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to request that you will be pleased to order such a force of regular troops, to a post near Hector's River, lately occupied by colonel Brereton, as your honour may deem necessary for the protection of the settlers in that district, against the rebellious runaway negroes."

Ordered,

That Mr. Fuller and Mr. Mowat be a committee to wait on his honour with the above message; who returning, reported the delivery thereof, and that his honour was pleased to say, he would send an answer by his secretary.

A message from his honour the lieutenant-governor, by his secretary, as follows:

"MR. SPEAKER,

Message from his honour, recommending colonels M'Murdo, Brereton, and Gibson.

"I am commanded by his honour the lieutenant-governor to state to the house, the particular services of lieutenant-colonels M'Murdo and Brereton, whom his honour appointed major-generals of militia, and by whose talents and exertions, joined to those of the gentlemen of the island, the declaration of martial law was rendered a measure unnecessary: These gentlemen, as also lieutenant-colonel Gibson, who for a short time did duty as a major-general of militia, and whose exertions were also deserving of praise, consider themselves as highly gratified, in having contributed to the tranquillity and prosperity of Jamaica; but his honour conceives it his duty to suggest to the consideration of the house, that, although no representation has been made by these officers on this subject,



subject, some small expences have been, to his knowledge, incurred by them during that service, over and above their usual rate of expence, which may not be improper for him to mention; and which he therefore submits to the attention of the house."

Ordered,

That the above message be referred to the committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island :

The house, according to order, resolved itself into such committee :

Committee on state  
of the island,

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, left the chair.

Mr. Thompson took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, resumed the chair.

Mr. Thompson, from the committee, reported sixteen resolutions, which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table; where being again severally read, were agreed unto by the house, and are as follows: report 16 resolutions.

1. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying to serjeant Hall, the sum of 100*l.* for his public services, agreeably to the recommendation of his honour the lieutenant-governor, in his first message of the 19th December last; and also to allow him the sum of 30*l.* annually, during his life.

2. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 200*l.* to John Henry Schroeter, captain of Fort-Balcarres, agreeably to the recommendation of his honour the lieutenant-governor, in his first message of the 19th December last.

3. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 451*l.* 19*s.* 7*d.* to the order of the honourable John Jaques, the honourable Simon Taylor, the honourable Henry Shirley, Kean Osborn, and Alexander Shaw, esquires, or any two of them, agreeably to his honour's first message of the 8th instant.

4. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 500*l.* to the order of the commander in chief, to enable him to pay the expences, and the salaries, of the persons employed by his honour at the board of police, at Port-Royal, agreeably to his honour's second message of the 28th November last, and of his first message of the 8th instant.

5. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 78*l.* 7*s.* 2*d.* to William Russell, for the repairs of the Chapel barracks, in the parish of Clarendon.

6. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 81*l.* 12*s.* 10*d.* to the representatives of Robert Loft, deceased, for the repairs of the Chapel barracks, in the parish of Clarendon.

7. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, directing the receiver-general to carry to the general credit of the board of works, the balance of 13,000*l.* voted for building a gaol for the county of Surrey, delayed at present on account of the high price of lumber; and that this or any future assembly will make good the same.

8. That it be recommended to the house, to postpone the consideration of the report on the petition of Donald McPherson, until next session.

9. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, directing the receiver-general to retain in his hands, the sum of

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2,500*l.*



2500*l.* for and on behalf of James Robertson, surveyor; the same to be payable to the said James Robertson, his heirs or assigns, for having performed a map of the county of Middlesex, when he shall have complied with the terms of his petition and proposals, presented to the house in the year 1796, for performing a map of each county, and a general map of the island; and that he do pay to the said James Robertson, for the term of the present year, interest at and after the rate of six pounds *per centum* on the said sum of 2500*l.* and also on the sum of 2500*l.* granted in the year 1797, to the said James Robertson, on the like conditions, for having performed a map of the county of Surrey.

10. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying to the order of the commander in chief, monthly, the sum of 175*l.* for the hire of pioneers, for the use of the troops stationed in this island.

11. That it be recommended to the house, to send a message to his honour the lieutenant-governor, to inform his honour that the house will, early next session, take into consideration his honour's message of yesterday, relating to invalid pioneers.

12. That it be recommended to the house, to allow to the officers of the 20th regiment of light dragoons (the commanding officer for the time being excepted), a sum at and after the rate of 30*l.* *per annum* for lodging money, the same to commence from the 1st day of November last.

13. That it be recommended to the house, to send a message to his honour the lieutenant-governor, acquainting him, that the house are highly sensible of the meritorious services of lieutenant-colonels M'Murdo, Brereton, and Gibson, which have greatly contributed to the tranquillity and prosperity of this island; and requesting that his honour would be pleased to communicate to them, the sense which the house entertain of their exertions in the public service, in the most acceptable manner.

14. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying to the order of the commander in chief, the sum of 560*l.* to be by him applied in defraying the extraordinary expences, that may have been incurred by lieutenant-colonels M'Murdo, Brereton, and Gibson, agreeably to his honour's message of this day.

15. That it be recommended to the house, to appoint a committee to prepare and bring in a bill to repeal such part or parts of acts of this island, as relate to the ecclesiastical jurisdiction of the bishop of London, over the clergy alone in this island, and to refer to such committee, his honour the lieutenant-governor's third message of the 15th November last, and the papers therewith sent:

*Ordered,*

That Mr. Shirley, Mr. Redwood, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Cockburn, and Mr. Cuthbert, be a committee for that purpose.

16. That it be recommended to the house, to send a message to his honour the lieutenant-governor, informing him that the house adhere to their message to the late sir Adam Williamson, of the 20th day of December, 1792, in answer to his message of the 30th October preceding, inclosing the copy of a letter from the secretary at war, written by order of his majesty.

Then Mr. Thompson acquainted the house, that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again:

*Resolved,*

That this house will, on Monday next, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

A motion



A motion being made, that the house do come to the following resolution;

*Resolved,*

That the house, having come to certain resolutions, whereby it stands pledged for the British pay of two thousand men, for the exclusive service of this island, during a limited time, are of opinion, that the island should no longer be burthened with the expence of the 20th regiment of light dragoons; and that, should his majesty be graciously pleased to order their removal, the island would thereby be relieved from a heavy expence, which bears very hard upon it:

The house divided:

The ayes went forth:

Ayes, 7:—Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Reid, Mr. Mowat, Mr. Grant, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Murphy, and Mr. Quier.

Noes, 19:—Mr. Tharp, Mr. Fitch, Mr. Henckell, Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Shirley, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Henry, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Redwood, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Telfer, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Christie, Mr. Ross, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Turner, Mr. Perry, and Mr. Fuller.

So it passed in the negative.

*Ordered,*

That the above question, and the names and numbers taken thereon, be published in the Royal Gazette, and the Cornwall Chronicle, for two weeks.

*Ordered,*

That Mr. Bryan have leave of absence for the remainder of the session.

Then the house adjourned till Monday morning next, nine of the clock.

Motion for removing 20th light dragoons.

Division.

Negatived.

To be published.

Leave of absence to Mr. Bryan.

By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Notes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

KEAN OSBORN, *Speaker*, pro tempore.

Luna, 11<sup>o</sup> die Martii, 1799.

Prayers. **ORDERED,**

That the three following messages be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

*First message.*

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

"We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to inform you, that the house will, early next session, take into consideration your honour's message of yesterday, relating to invalid pioneers."

Message to his honour, respecting invalid pioneers.

*Second message.*

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

"We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to acquaint you, that the house

Message to his honour



nour, respecting  
colonels M<sup>r</sup> Murdo,  
Brereton, and Gib-  
son.

house are highly sensible of the meritorious services of lieutenant-colonels M<sup>r</sup> Murdo, Brereton, and Gibson, which have greatly contributed to the tranquillity and prosperity of this island; and the house request that your honour will be pleased to communicate to them, the sense which they entertain of their exertions in the public service, in the most acceptable manner."

*Third message.*

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

Message to his ho-  
nour, respecting ef-  
fablishment of 20th  
light dragoons.

"We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to inform you, that they adhere to their message to the late sir Adam Williamson, of the 20th day of December, 1792, in answer to his message of the 30th October preceasing, enclosing the copy of a letter from the secretary at war, written by order of his majesty."

*Ordered,*

That the two following messages be sent to the council:

*First message.*

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

Message to council,  
on foreign slave bill;

"We are ordered by the house to acquaint you, that they disagree to the amendments proposed by your honours to the bill entitled, 'An act to prevent any intercourse and communication between the slaves of this island, and foreign slaves of a certain description;' and for other purposes, and do adhere to their bill."

*Second message.*

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

and, on alien bill.

"We are ordered by the house to acquaint you, that they disagree to the first amendment proposed by your honours to the bill entitled, 'An act for establishing regulations respecting persons of a certain description, arriving in this island, or resident therein, in certain cases,' and do adhere to their bill; and that they have agreed to the other amendments proposed by your honours to the said bill, and have amended the bill accordingly."

*Ordered,*

That Mr. Fitch and Mr. Henry be a committee to wait on his honour with the above three messages, and to carry the other two messages, and the bills, to the council; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

Ecclesiastical juris-  
diction bill pre-  
sented.

Mr. Cuthbert, according to order, presented to the house, a bill for annulling so much of an act of this island, of 21 Geo. II. cap. 6, as gives power to the bishop of London, to exercise ordinary jurisdiction in this island, as far as the same appertains to the ecclesiastical regimen of the clergy only; and for repealing the 11th clause of one other act of this island, of 33 Cha. II. cap. 18; which was received, and read the first time:

*Ordered,*

That the said bill be read a second time, this day.

Adjournment.

The house adjourned for one quarter of an hour;  
And being met;

The bill for annulling so much of an act of this island, of 21 Geo. II. cap. 6,



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gives power to the bishop of London, to exercise ordinary jurisdiction in this island, as far as the same appertains to the ecclesiastical regimen of the clergy only; and for repealing the 11th clause of one other act of this island, of 33 Cha. II. cap. 18, was read a second time:

Ecclesiastical jurisdiction bill, read second time.

Ordered,

That the said bill be engrossed.

Engrossed.

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to oblige the several inhabitants of this island, to provide themselves with a sufficient number of white men, white women, or white children, or pay certain sums of money in case they shall be deficient, and applying the same to several uses:

Deficiency bill committed;

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, left the chair.

Mr. Thompson took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, resumed the chair.

Mr. Thompson, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through part of the bill, and had made several amendments thereto, which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again severally read, were agreed unto by the house:

Progress reported.

And then Mr. Thompson acquainted the house, that the committee had directed him to move the house for leave to sit again:

Resolved,

That this house will again, to-morrow, resolve itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the said bill.

A motion being made, that the house do come to the following resolution:

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom the poll-tax bill stands committed, to receive a clause for paying to the order of the commissioners of the board of works, a sum not exceeding 900*l*. for the purpose of repairing the house and buildings at the admiral's pen:

Motion for 900*l*. for repairs at admiral's pen.

Ordered,

That the same do lie on the table three days, agreeably to the rule of the house.

Three days rule.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

In virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Notes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

KEAN OSBORN, *Speaker, pro tempore*.

Martis, 12<sup>o</sup> die Martii, 1799.

Prayers. THE engrossed bill for annulling so much of an act of this island, of the 21<sup>st</sup> of George the second, chapter the sixth, as gives power to the bishop of London, to exercise ordinary jurisdiction in this island, as far as the same appertains to the ecclesiastical regimen of the clergy only; and for repealing the eleventh clause of

Ecclesiastical jurisdiction bill repealed.



one other act of this island, of the 33<sup>d</sup> of Charles the second, chapter the eighteenth, was read the third time:

*Resolved,*

That the said bill do pass.

Report from committee, on 5th and 7th resolutions from state of the island, of 7th instant.

Mr. Cuthbert, from the committee, appointed to take into consideration the subject-matter of the 5th and 7th resolutions of the house, of the 7th instant, on the report from the committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island, and to report their opinion thereon to the house, reported,

That the committee had, in obedience to the order of the house, proceeded on the consideration of the same, and it appears to them to be absolutely necessary, that the settlement of the non-commissioned officers and privates, of the two battalions of the 60th regiment, in the interior of each county, according to the engagement entered into by the British government, on behalf of this island, should be effected at different periods; so that the whole may be accomplished in not less time than four years, to commence after the term of the present engagement. His majesty's ministers must easily perceive the evil that would result to his majesty's service, as well as to this island, should the periods of enlistment expire at one and the same time; and the committee have no doubt, that the British government will concert measures, best calculated to prevent so serious an inconvenience, and give pointed directions to the executive government of this country, for that purpose.

That it being perfectly understood that the engagement, which pledges this country to provide for the whole expence of these two thousand men, will be completed as soon as the whole of the non-commissioned officers and privates shall be provided with settlements in the interior, the committee are of opinion, that the recruiting them from Europe ought to cease, after the expiration of the fourth year of the present engagement; and that such part of the non effective fund as is destined for the recruiting service, should after that period be available by this country, and be applied in aid of the expence for the providing settlements in the interior: The committee are further of opinion, that the present establishment for these two battalions should, from to time, be diminished, according to the numbers of the non-commissioned officers and privates, which shall be settled in the manner intended; so that the island may be relieved from the expence of supernumerary officers, and the other charges of the present establishment, the necessity for which will be thus gradually diminished.

That the committee are of opinion, that the house should request his honour the lieutenant-governor, not to grant patents for such crown lands, in the interior parts of the island, as may be suitable for the settlements of the two thousand men, according to engagement, the house taking upon itself to pay the fees and the expence of surveying; and that his honour should be also requested, to direct a survey to be made immediately of some lands in the interior, which are conceived to be of the proper description for this purpose.

That, on considering the 7th resolution, the committee are of opinion, that the whole expenditure for the two battalions of the 60th regiment, to be provided by this colony, shall lie in the hands of the receiver-general, applicable to the order of the commander in chief; and that the expence which might arise, by remitting any part thereof to England, should not be borne by this country: That the committee beg leave to submit, that the pay of the effectives of these two battalions should be issued by the receiver-general, under the order of the commander in chief, to the respective battalion pay-masters as it becomes due, and that at the end of each month,



month, the balance then remaining, according to the establishment, should in like manner be issued to the several paymasters of the regiments stationed in Jamaica, to be applied by them towards the pay of their respective corps.

That the committee recommend to the house, to send a message to his honour the lieutenant-governor, accompanying a copy of this report, and to direct the commissioners of correspondence to give instructions to Robert Sewell, esquire, the colonial agent, to communicate with his majesty's ministers on such of the objects of the report, as may be best effected by his negotiation with the War-Office.

*Resolved,*

That the house do agree to the report:

*Ordered,*

That the above report be published in the Royal Gazette, and the Cornwall Chronicle, for four weeks. To be published.

Mr. Cockburn, from the committee, appointed in the sessions of 1797, to examine into the state and condition of the Botanic Garden in Liguanea, reported, Report from committee of Botanic Gardens.

That they had lately visited that place, and inspected the state and condition of the garden, which they found in good order; and that the bread-fruit, and other exotic and valuable plants, contained in it, were carefully attended to by Mr. Wiles, who laid before the committee his book of the delivery of plants, whereby it appeared, that 1600, of various descriptions, have been distributed since the last meeting:

That Mr. Wiles communicated to the committee, a letter he had received from Sir Joseph Banks, dated 18th March, 1798, confirming his expectations of procuring from the East-Indies, the nutmeg plant, together with a very valuable collection of spices, and other important plants, and his intentions that this island should participate in them:

That the committee proceeded to inspect the condition of the negroes belonging to the garden, who were called before them, and appeared to be in general healthy and satisfied; the annexed list contains their names, and respective value, according to the estimation made by the committee:

That it appeared, from the information of Mr. Wiles, that it would require at the rate of six negroes annually to keep the garden in order, and, as the committee were of opinion, that the remainder of the negroes upon the place ought to be employed in the best manner for the public advantage, they directed Mr. Wiles to allot and plant from twelve to fifteen acres of land, such as might be found the best adapted and most conveniently situated for coffee, which in time may produce a return equal to cover all the expences of this establishment:

That the committee are of opinion, that a grant of 700*l.* will be sufficient, instead of the sum usually provided, and they accordingly recommend the same to the house.

LIST of NEGROES upon the BOTANIC GARDEN in Liguanea, with their respective valuation, on the 10th March, 1799. List and valuation of negroes.

<i>l.</i>			<i>l.</i>		
Hector, driver, value	-	140	Polly,	-	150
James,	-	200	Quasheba,	-	150
Robert,	-	200	Jenny,	-	150
Cupid,	field	140	Fanny,	field	150
Dick,	-	170	Patty,	-	150
Will,	-	150	Nancy,	-	160
			York,		



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York,		100	Beneba,		150
Greenwich,	} field	140	Juba,	} field	150
Sampson,		140	Celia,		100
Hampshire,		100	Fidelia,		40
Toney,	} old		Betty,	} old	50
Mingo,			Chloe,		40
Andrew,		20	Sukey,		
Richmond,	} lame, and disordered	50	Flora,	}	50
Simon,			Brutus,		50
Smart,		60	Scotland,		50
		1610	Charles,		35
		1795	Roger,	} children	50
			William,		30
			John,		20
Total estimation		3405	Sarah,		30
			Nancy,		20
Billy,	} run away for several years.		Countess,		20
Minerva,					
Delia,					1795

## Ordered,

That the above report be referred to the committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take further into consideration the state of the island.

Committee on state  
of the island,

Then the house resolved itself into such committee.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, left the chair.

Mr. Thompson took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, resumed the chair.

report 12 resolutions.

Mr. Thompson, from the committee, reported twelve resolutions, which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, where being again severally read, were agreed unto by the house, and are as follows:

1. That it be recommended to the house, to appoint a committee, to inspect the Botanic Gardens, during the recess of the assembly:

## Ordered,

That Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Redwood, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Ross, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Quier, Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. Macleod, Mr. Henckell, Mr. Atkinson, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Turner, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Grant, Mr. Fullerton, Mr. Henry, Mr. Fitch, Mr. Jaques, Mr. Shaw, Mr. Christie, Mr. Barnett, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Shirley, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Deans, Mr. Telfer, Mr. Mowat, Mr. Perry, Mr. Stewart, Mr. Francklyn, Mr. Reid, Mr. Tharp, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Finlayson, Mr. Swaby, and Mr. Spooner, be a committee for that purpose.

2. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in the poll-tax bill, for paying the sum of 500*l.* to the order of the committee, to be appointed to inspect the Botanic Gardens of this island, for the further support of the Liguanea Botanic Garden, for the year 1799.

3. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 200*l.* to the order of doctor Thomas Dancer, for his care of the Botanic Garden at the Bath of St. Thomas the Apostle; and the further sum of 50*l.* for his care of the nurseries of South-Sea plants, at Bath.

4. That



4. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 100*l.* to the order of the commissioners of the Bath of St. Thomas the Apostle, for the purpose of clothing, and supplying the negroes belonging to the said Bath with salted provisions, and provisions for the sick, and tools for the use of the Botanic Garden; and the further sum of 200*l.* for the hire of a white gardener, and for negro labour to cultivate the garden.

5. That it be recommended to the house, to discontinue the payment of 100*l.* to Mr. Wiles, for his care of the nursery of South-Sea plants, at Bath.

6. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 100*l.* to the order of the commissioners of the Bath of St. Thomas the Apostle, for the hire of an overseer to superintend the negroes belonging to the Bath.

7. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 200*l.* to the clerk of the committee for inspecting the Botanic Gardens, in full for salary, travelling charges, and expences for the last year.

8. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying to William Frazer, island engineer, the sum of 10*s.* per day, in lieu of travelling and contingent charges, incurred by him in that capacity, from the 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December, 1798; also the usual island subsistence, and lodging-money at 50*l.* per annum.

9. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 274*l.* 15*s.* to the order of the honourable the council, to compensate the loss to their officers, in consequence of the passing the general privilege act, in favour of people of colour and negroes, of free condition, being Christians.

10. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 4000*l.* to the commissioners appointed by law, for stating and settling the public accounts, towards defraying the expences of the regimental hospitals, under their present establishment.

11. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying to the order of the commander in chief, a sum not exceeding 416*l.* for the hire of thirty-two negro pioneers, for the use of the 20<sup>th</sup> regiment of light dragoons, or for paying the fees of slaves which may be taken from the workhouses, to serve as pioneers, as directed by an act entitled, "An act to enable his honour Adam Williamson, esquire, lieutenant-governor and commander in chief, or the governor or commander in chief for the time being, to take slaves from the workhouses, for certain purposes, and on certain conditions."

12. That it be recommended to the house, to direct a clause to be inserted in one of the money-bills, for paying the sum of 25*l.* to Thomas Wills, for his care of the pew in the parish-church of St. Catherine, for the exclusive use of the members of the assembly; and for the hire of a servant to attend the house the last year.

The house, according to order, again resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to oblige the several inhabitants of this island, to provide themselves with a sufficient number of white men, white women, or white children, or pay certain sums of money in case they shall be deficient, and applying the same to several uses:

Deficiency bill reported;

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, left the chair.

Mr. Thompson took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, resumed the chair.

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Mr. Thompson, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the remaining part of the bill, and had made several amendments thereto, which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again severally read, were agreed unto by the house:

*Ordered,*

Engrossed.

That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, "*An act to oblige the several inhabitants of this island, to provide themselves with a sufficient number of white men, white women, or white children, or pay certain sums of money in case they shall be deficient, and applying the same to several uses.*"

8 per cent. loan bill  
committed;

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill to repeal two several acts, one passed on the 25th day of March, in the year 1796, entitled, "*An act to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise several sums of money for the public service; and for other purposes;*" and the other passed the 21st day of December, in the said year 1796, entitled, "*An act to alter and amend an act entitled, 'An act to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise several sums of money for the public service; and for other purposes;' and to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise certain sums of money for the public service, at an interest not exceeding 8l. per centum, in order to pay off and discharge the public certificates, now due and outstanding, bearing interest at 10l. per centum:*"

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, left the chair.

Mr. Cockburn took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, resumed the chair.

Reported;

Mr. Cockburn, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto, which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again severally read, were agreed unto by the house:

*Ordered,*

Engrossed.

That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, "*An act to repeal two several acts, one passed on the 25th day of March, in the year 1796, entitled, 'An act to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise several sums of money for the public service; and for other purposes;' and the other passed the 21st day of December, in the said year 1796, entitled, 'An act to alter and amend an act entitled, 'An act to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise several sums of money for the public service; and for other purposes;' and to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise certain sums of money for the public service, at an interest not exceeding 8l. per centum, in order to pay off and discharge the public certificates, now due and outstanding, bearing interest at 10l. per centum.*"

*Ordered,*

5000l. sterling to be  
remitted the agent,  
for arms.

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom the poll-tax bill stands committed, to receive a clause directing and authorizing the receiver-general to remit, in the month of August next, the sum of 5000l. sterling, to Robert Sewell, esquire, agent for this island, in addition to the sum of 10,000l. sterling, already remitted, towards purchasing five thousand stand of arms, ordered by the house for the service of the militia of this island.

*Ordered,*

89l. 6s. 8d. to L.

MacLaine, captain of  
black shot.

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom the poll-tax bill stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 89l. 6s. 8d. to Lachlan



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Lachlan MacLaine, late captain of the St. James's black shot, to reimburse the expence of subsistence for himself and the other commissioned officers of the said company, from 28th July to 23d November last, when the said company was disbanded.

Ordered,

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom the poll-tax bill stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 68*l.* to John Grant, late captain of the Trelawny black shot, to reimburse the expence of subsistence for himself and the other commissioned officers of the the said company, to 23d November last, when the company was disbanded.

68*l.* to J. Grant, captain of black shot.

Ordered,

That the order of the house, of the 22d of February last, for the attendance of Thomas Goulburn, collecting constable for the parish of Vere, at the bar of the house, be discharged.

Order for T. Goulburn's attendance discharged.

Ordered,

That Mr. Christie have leave of absence for the remainder of the session, after Thursday next.

Leave of absence to Mr. Christie.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Notes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

KEAN OSBORN, *Speaker*, pro tempore.

Mercurii, 13<sup>o</sup> die Martii, 1799.

Prayers. THE engrossed bill to oblige the several inhabitants of this island, to provide themselves with a sufficient number of white men, white women, or white children, or pay certain sums of money in case they shall be deficient, and applying the same to several uses, was read the third time:

Deficiency bill passed.

Resolved,

That the said bill do pass.

The engrossed bill to repeal two several acts, one passed on the twenty-fifth day of March, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-six, entitled, "An act to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise several sums of money for the public service; and for other purposes;" and the other passed the twenty-first day of December, in the said year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-six, entitled, "An act to alter and amend an act entitled, 'An act to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise several sums of money for the public service; and for other purposes;' and to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise certain sums of money for the public service, at an interest not exceeding eight pounds per centum, in order to pay off and discharge the public certificates, now due and outstanding, bearing interest at ten pounds per centum, was read the third time:

8 per cent. loan bill passed.

Resolved,



*Resolved,*

That the said bill do pass.

*Ordered,*

That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

Message to his honour, with resolutions relative to 2000 men.

*"We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to lay before you, the copy of a report made to the house yesterday from a committee, to the consideration of whom were referred the fifth and seventh resolutions, adopted by the house on the 7th instant, on the report from the committee of the whole house, to inquire into and take into consideration the state of the island, relative to the two thousand men to be stationed in this island, for the exclusive service thereof; to which report the house have agreed; and also to request, that your honour will be pleased to comply with such parts of the recommendation of the said report, as relates to the crown lands."*

*Ordered,*

That Mr. Thompson, Mr. Ross, Mr. Perry, Mr. Reid, Mr. Turner, Mr. Mowat, and Mr. Dawson, be a committee to wait on his honour with the above message; and also to carry the above engrossed bills, and the engrossed bill of yesterday, to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

Resolution for 900*l.* for repairs at admiral's pen, agreed to.

The resolution moved in the house on Monday last, that it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom the poll-tax bill stands committed, to receive a clause for paying to the order of the commissioners of the board of works, a sum not exceeding 900*l.* for the purpose of repairing the house and buildings at the admiral's pen, having lain three days on the table, agreeably to the rule of the house, and being again read, was agreed unto by the house.

Report from commissioners of public accounts.

Mr. Cockburn, from the commissioners appointed by law, for stating and settling the public accounts, reported,

That the commissioners had prepared the usual statements of the public income and expenditure for the four quarters, ending the 30th of September, 1798, and the estimate of the ways and means for the expences of the current year, which they herewith submit to the house: That the commissioners have exerted themselves, to stimulate the several collecting constables to a more punctual execution of their duty; and although it will appear, from the annexed list of debts due by them, that the sums outstanding uncollected, on the 30th of September last, were not so considerable as in the preceding year's account, they were still very great; and, from the examination of those gentlemen, taken upon oath before the commissioners, during the last and present sessions, they cannot refrain from stating to the house their opinion, that there appears little prospect of any great exertions from officers, whose duty it becomes to put the law in force against the very persons upon whom they may, perhaps, depend for their appointment:

That the commissioners have punctually audited the quarterly accounts of the receiver-general, agreeably to law, and have passed them regularly, to the 31st of December last, to which day the public books of account are balanced:

That the commissioners have inquired into the merits of the petition of messieurs Atkinson, Mure, Bogle, and company, presented to the house the 20th of November last, and referred to them, and find that the sum of 3253*l.* 7*s.* 1*d.* is due to these gentlemen, as stated in their petition, which they recommend to the house to provide for; and



and the commissioners further recommend to them, to provide for the reimbursement of 638*l.* 1*s.* paid for various expences of office, incurred by their order:

That the house is already apprized of the non-payment of duties under the act for the relief of captors, passed in 1793, which has not been enforced: The commissioners therefore recommend to the house, to send a message to his honour the lieutenant-governor, requesting that he will be pleased to direct the attorney-general to prosecute all prize agents, who shall not, within three months, pay over to the receiver-general, the duties on prize goods sold by them respectively, and also to enforce the said law regularly, in future; and also to prosecute the register of the court of vice-admiralty, for not complying with the said law.

ESTIMATE of the WAYS and MEANS, for 1799.

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Poll-tax, at 10 <i>s.</i>	120,000	0	0
Deficiency, of the first and second quarters	8,000	0	0
Rum duties	7,500	0	0
Land-tax	42,000	0	0
Negro duties	30,000	0	0
Stamp duties	25,000	0	0
Additional duties	8,000	0	0
Tonnage money	3,500	0	0
Arrears of poll-tax, 1798	15,000	0	0
of deficiency, ditto	35,000	0	0
of land-tax, ditto	6,000	0	0
of former years	35,000	0	0
Surplus of the revenue	15,000	0	0
	350,000	0	0
Monies to be received from fundry securities, payable in the course of the year	5,608	0	0
Balance of cash on the annual funds, 30th of September, 1798	144,123	3	2
Balance of gunpowder	7428	15	6
Ditto of revenue	9860	10	11
	17,289	6	5
	161,412	9	7
	517,020	9	7
Balance wanting to make up the debt	294,523	7	5
	811,543	17	0

ACCOUNT of MONIES received under the several MONEY-BILLS during the four quarters, ending 30th September, 1798.

<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>		<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	
118,635	15	6	received under the poll-tax.				
14,608	0	3	poll-tax, 1797.				
133,243	15	9	receipts upon poll-tax, for a full year.				
3,085	2	7	deficiency, 1798.				
36,788	13	7	ditto, 1797.				
44,873	16	2	received for a full year.				

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receipts



<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>	
41,840	8	11				receipts upon land tax, 1798.
5,330	4	6				ditto, 1797.
			47,170	13	5	ditto for a full year.
			41,051	8	4	negro duties, ditto.
			25,353	2	9	stamp duties.
			7,077	2	8	rum duties.
			1,109	13	2	received on account of negroes sold for transportation.
			547	3	4	received on account of pay of pioneers.
1,586	5	0				received on account of government pen and mountain.
458	14	0				received for interest.
			2,044	19	0	
			61	8	4	remainder of stores sold.
			3,754	16	0	tonnage money.
			7,866	16	11	additional duties.
			8,748	0	10	surplus of revenue, 1797.
			1,701	3	2	transient tax.
			31,907	17	4	arrears of taxes of former years.
			356,511	17	2	
18,925	0	0				part of 5th loan.
50,000	0	0				6th loan.
			68,925	0	0	ditto, at 10 per cent.
			425,436	17	2	total receipts.

## LIST of DEBTS due by the PUBLIC OF JAMAICA, 30th September, 1798.

	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
The speaker, for his salary	1,000	0	0
Superintendants of maroon-towns, one quarter	200	0	0
White men at ditto, one ditto	60	0	0
Botanic Garden in Liguanea	785	15	2
Directors of the Bath	315	16	0
Captain Fort-Augusta, two quarters	60	16	8
Lieutenant ditto	190	5	0
Captain Fort-George	90	6	8
Ditto Rock-Fort	121	13	4
Commissioners for paying boat-money and negroes	345	0	0
Thomas Dancer, physician to Bath, &c.	432	13	4
Deputy receiver-generals, secretaries, and naval officers, two quarters	420	0	0
Gunner and store-keeper Fort-Augusta, one quarter	25	0	0
Bryan Higgins, one quarter	350	0	0
Engineer of forts, &c. one quarter's salary, lodging, &c.	71	0	0
King's plate	125	0	0
Colonel M'Murdo, quartermaster-general, subsistence, three quarters	76	10	0
Maroon negro parties	745	12	8
Robert Sewell, agent, two years salary	1,400	0	0
Clerk of the board of works	570	0	0
Lieutenant.			



	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Lieutenant-governor's salary, one quarter	1,125	0	0
Armourer's account	160	0	0
Interest to St. Jago free-school, one year	100	0	0
Grant to commander in chief, to purchase horses for 20th light dragoons	7785	0	0
115 horses purchased	5488	10	0
	2,296	10	0
A quarter's subsistence, supposed to be due the officers, their wives, and children	2,500	0	0
Allowance to the sick of the army	500	0	0
Due the commander in chief, for the 20th light dragoons	3,281	15	3
Commissioners forts, &c. on the tonnage fund	6,910	9	9
Lord Rodney's statue	146	2	5
Grants on roads	13,115	0	0
Free-school St. Jago de la Vega and Kingston	6,098	12	0
Receiver-general's commissions	6,512	6	3
Order of commissioners, outstanding on account of martial law	5,000	0	0
2½ years interest on ditto	800	0	0
Certificates bearing 6 per cent. interest, outstanding, if- sued on the 1 <sup>st</sup> October, 1795	2117	1	7
Ditto, issued 1796	5029	9	2
Ditto, 1797	5113	19	2
Ditto, 1798	1283	14	8
	23,514	4	7
Interest on ditto to 30th September	1,860	0	0
James Robertson, surveyor	2,500	0	0
10 per cent. loan	375,000	0	0
Interest on ditto to 30th September	3,147	10	0
Thomas Wallen, one quarter's subsistence	13	0	0
Quit-rent clerk	140	0	0
Secretary commissioners of accounts, one quarter	175	0	0
Clergy	2,800	0	0
Fund for their widows and children, from 1 <sup>st</sup> January to 30th Sep- tember	630	0	0
Treasurer public hospital	962	5	0
Amount of oil, paints, &c. for the board of works	700	0	0
Messieurs Atkinson, Mure, Eagle, and company, agents for subsist- ing the troops	30,000	0	0
Commissioners of the board of works, for balance	21,752	16	5
Directors of Milk-River Bath	1,321	19	9
	520,478	0	3

## CONTINGENCIES of 1799, UNDER VARIOUS LAWS.

Lieutenant-governor's additional salary	4,500
Subsistence of the troops	85,000
Speaker's salary	1,000
Officers subsistence and lodging	15,000
Commissioners of accounts	900
Clerk board of works	570

Interest



Interest on 10 per cent. loan	-	-	37,500
Provision for the clergy	-	-	8,400
Receiver-general's commissions	-	-	10,000
Condemnation of slaves, and increase	-	-	3,500
Inspectors and collectors rum duties	-	-	1,700
			168,070 0 0
Amount of grants under the money-bills, as per annexed account	122,995	16 9	
Total debt	-	-	811,543 17 0

LIST of DEBTS due by the COLLECTING CONSTABLES for 1795, 1796, 1797, and 1798.

	1795.	1796.	1797.	1798.	Total.
	l. s. d.	l. s. d.	l. s. d.	l. s. d.	l. s. d.
H. Cole, St. Andrew	1747 3 4	2947 3 0			4694 6 4
Ch. Wm. Hall, ditto			2132 2 6	1910 19 10	4043 2 4
John Shaw, St. Ann		535 16 2	6021 10 8	9232 6 3	15,789 1 1
R. S. Bayley, St. Catherine					
James Smith, Clarendon		3787 8 2			3787 8 2
W. H. Israell, ditto			858 14 11	4487 10 2	5346 5 1
Thomas Harris, St. David				469 9 0	469 9 0
W. Pearson, St. Dorothy			562 5 3	995 2 4	1557 7 7
R. B. Wright, St. Elizabeth		4839 7 6	1521 1 4		6360 8 10
W. Cumming, St. George		520 3 1	81 18 4		602 1 5
Dominick Walfsh, ditto				2216 18 10	2216 18 10
Wm. Brown, Hanover				3638 17 8	3638 17 8
S. B. Bowen, St. James			3626 9 1	4144 2 4	7770 11 5
S. Tulloh, St. John's				1159 10 2	1159 10 2
W. Mellor, E. Kingston				570 8 4	570 8 4
Alex. Duffus, W. ditto		49 10 0		3501 11 8	3551 1 8
J. M'Kay, St. Mary			3561 12 1	6644 3 10	10,205 15 11
R. Holden, Portland				590 13 5	590 13 5
J. Ridley, Port-Royal	442 2 4				442 2 4
B. Whittaker, ditto		1973 5 5	436 13 4		2409 18 9
H. Pincombe, ditto				1629 9 7	1629 9 7
R. Whitfinch, St. Thos. E.	99 14 7		7621 4 3	17,236 6 5	24,957 5 8
R. S. Bayley, St. Thos. V.					
W. J. Stevenson, Trelawny					
H. Goulburn, Vere			1061 14 6		1061 14 6
T. Goulburn, ditto				5816 4 10	5816 4 10
W. Tomlinson, Westmorland		744 0 6		3034 0 8	3778 1 2
	2289 0 3	15,396 13 10	27,485 6 3	67,277 15 4	112,448 15 8

APPROPRIATIONS under the several MONEY-BILLS, for 1799.

	l. s. d.
Race in Spanish-Town	125 0 0
Kingston	125 0 0
St. James's	125 0 0
Chaplain to assembly	140 0 0
Clerk to ditto	1000 0 0
Serjeant to ditto	700 0 0
Printer to ditto	400 0 0
Thomas Wills	140 0 0
Deputy	



	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Deputy receiver-general, deputy naval officer, and deputy secretary at Port-Antonio, at 7 <i>ch.</i> each	210	0	0
Clerk-committee of correspondence	150	0	0
Ditto ditto	50	0	0
Clerk to commissioners forts and fortifications	150	0	0
Engineer of forts and surveyor of harbours, at 1 <i>os.</i> per day	182	10	0
Captain of Fort-Augusta, at 1 <i>os.</i> per day	182	10	0
Lieutenant of ditto, at 5 <i>s.</i> per day	91	5	0
Captain of Fort-George, at 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> per day	121	13	4
Captain of Rock-Fort, at 6 <i>s.</i> 8 <i>d.</i> per day	121	13	4
Thomas Dancer, physician to Bath	200	0	0
Directors of said Bath	100	0	0
Robert Sewell, esquire, agent, salary	420	0	0
Ditto, petty charges	280	0	0
William Frazer, surveyor of public works	700	0	0
Adam Dolmage, island store-keeper	500	0	0
Kingston hospital	1000	0	0
Roads	12000	0	0
A. Forbes	100	0	0
H. Burges	50	0	0
J. Anderson	100	0	0
Mary Watkins	20	0	0
Charles Douglas	50	0	0
James Baker	97	6	8
Churchwardens Trelawny	52	6	8
Trelawny workhouse	392	11	8
J. and W. Perry	21	6	2
J. Cunningham	190	5	10
Richard Hill	43	14	7
J. Johnston	16	10	0
T. Gilpin	14	17	1
J. Smith	14	10	10
J. Walker	31	12	6
W. Angus	112	12	6
Watson and Appleton	185	2	6
John Perry	46	10	6
Doctor Walker	244	16	8
W. Collett	266	5	0
G. Thompson	405	0	0
W. Collins and company	259	0	0
John McDonald	242	15	0
S. Adolphus	30	0	0
Elizabeth Morgan	50	0	0
W. Fenwick	25	0	0
St. James's workhouse	449	0	0
Donald Campbell	126	16	8
Robert Thompson	31	5	0
Thomas March	50	0	0
Surgeon Robinson	100	0	0

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Martha



	<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Martha Thomas	761	16	8
C. N. Pallmer	352	18	7
Abraham Melhado	13	13	4
J. D. Pinnock	171	13	4
Doctor Brodbelt	100	0	0
W. M. Robbie	115	5	0
Captain W. Ross	224	13	4
W. Bullock	71	12	6
J. H. Schroeter	259	10	10
James Brydone	40	2	6
Richard Hill	68	7	10
Donald Campbell	97	10	0
G. Rob. Johnson	268	2	6
Benjamin Tenison	257	0	0
Rob. Main	53	1	8
Mure, Atkinson, and Bogle	598	0	0
Matthew Atkinson	1034	7	6
Lieutenant-colonel M'Murdo	102	0	0
Doctor Lind	102	0	0
Walter Johnson	43	0	0
Hugh Clough	20	0	0
Hon. James Jones	18	12	6
Officers 83d regiment	288	13	0
Commanding officer 63d regiment	241	14	2½
Ditto 83d regiment	126	5	0
Ditto 4th battalion 60th regiment	111	14	6
J. M. Dwyer	14	5	0
Deputy adjutant-general Butter	48	1	6
Brigade-major Gould	102	0	0
Brigade-major Gould, as barrack-master	182	10	0
Repair of arms	489	5	0
Major Butter	47	11	6
Commanding officer 13th	155	8	2
Representatives of James Wedderburn	22	12	6
Supplies at Dromilly	39	9	9
Samuel Jeffries	39	16	8
Ditto	8	10	0
Ditto	34	0	0
Mary Gleeson	146	3	4
Gayner and Manderfon	49	0	0
Ditto	61	0	0
J. Allen	25	0	0
David Shakespear	13	0	0
Oxford estate	56	19	7
George Young	4	13	4
Patrick Barrow	30	0	0
John Cunningham and son	10	16	8
W. Webb	7	17	6
Bryan Connor	46	0	0
Alexander			



	l.	s.	d.
Alexander Rankin	10	13	4
Charles Rowe	12	11	1
Alexander Girdwood	29	8	4
William Fleming	120	0	0
Thomas Wallen	200	0	0
Clerk court and clerk crown	200	0	0
James Lewis	150	0	0
Benjamin Lyon	40	0	0
Billy	20	0	0
Cudjoe	20	0	0
Ben	10	0	0
Five free negroes, at 10l. each	50	0	0
18 free persons, at 5l. each	90	0	0
Will	10	0	0
Treasurer St. Jago free-school	100	0	0
Ditto, Wohner's ditto	120	0	0
Ditto, a year's interest on bond	179	16	9
Attorney to F. G. Smythe	115	2	6
John Watson	65	0	0
James M'Ghie	157	9	4
Attorney to John Tharp	95	18	3
John Newland	869	5	5
Ditto	579	8	0
Attorney to Edward M. Gale	9	5	0
Reverend Thomas Warren	9	15	0
James Hart	27	12	6
Lazarus Hyman	28	0	0
Patrick Green	15	14	2
James Wade	25	0	0
Ditto	13	2	6
James Morrison	19	8	9
William Brown	7	4	0
Representatives of John Fisher	100	1	4
James Galloway	78	3	0
Alexander Rose	40	2	4
Hyem Cohen	1627	18	10
W. J. Stevenson	25	0	0
W. Tomlinson	340	13	1½
John Codner	330	5	0
W. Garvie	129	6	8
Michael Withers	200	0	0
Lewis Nelson	103	12	6
Caleb Powell	26	5	0
Justices and vestry Westmorland	54	0	0
Lodging-money to officers artillery	402	6	3
Judith Josephs	21	0	0
Robert Thomson	80	19	0
M. Atkinson, receiver for Windsor estate	65	19	4
W. Gillmour	274	13	4

John



	l.	s.	d.
John Mitchell	1325	6	6
Hawthorn and Campbell	1069	12	9½
Lodging-money to officers 63d	472	8	3
James Smith	600	0	0
Additional salary to three superintendants	150	0	0
James Lewis	300	0	0
Edward Bullock	200	0	0
Robert Dickson	300	0	0
Alexander Brisbane	140	0	0
John Reeder	12	0	0
Attorney of M'Lachlan and Stewart	200	0	0
John Largie	180	0	0
James Wintle	150	0	0
Commissioners of the Bath	250	0	0
Edward Bullock	150	0	0
Officers 20th light dragoons	507	12	5
J. T. W. Bennett	209	12	6
Alexander Aikman	3684	9	2
Lunan and Lewis	103	14	4
Stevenson and Aikman	97	10	5
James Fannin	75	15	0
Thomas Stevenson	62	1	3
James Lyon and company	217	2	6
Cuninghame and Fergusson	44	2	1
David Gourley	45	0	0
William Dance	146	0	0
G. F. Coward	48	3	9
James Stewart, D. M.	234	14	8
Reverend R. S. Woodham	30	0	0
Commanding officer 20th light dragoons	962	16	6
Benjamin Samuda	55	0	0
J. Henderson	87	13	9
John White	240	14	6
Patrick White	30	5	0
John Dobson	125	1	3
John M'Farlane	115	15	9
Commanding officer of grenadiers 2d battalion Kingston militia	100	0	0
Donald Campbell	50	0	0
Thomas W. Taylor	45	7	6
John White	480	8	3
St Ann's road	1000	0	0
Alexander Aikman, journals	3000	0	0
Wm. Middleton James, copying ditto	436	13	9
Bryan Higgins	1400	0	0
John White	55	2	0
James Lewis, extra sessions	700	0	0
Benjamin Lyon, ditto, and secret committee	500	0	0
Committee of Botanic Garden	500	0	0
Clerk to ditto	200	0	0

Thomas



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	l.	s.	d.
Thomas Dancer	200	0	0
Ditto for Bath nursery	50	0	0
Clothing, &c. Bath negroes	100	0	0
White gardener at Bath	200	0	0
Admiral's pen	900	0	0
Officers of council	274	15	0
Regimental hospitals	4000	0	0
Bath overseer	100	0	0
Pioneers 20th light dragoons	416	0	0
William Frazer, travelling expences	182	10	0
Ditto, lodging and island-pay	102	0	0
Thomas Wills	25	0	0
John Grant	68	0	0
Lauchlan M'Laine	89	6	8
R. Sewell, for arms	7000	0	0
Serjeant Hall	100	0	0
John H. Schroeter	200	0	0
Board of police	451	19	7
Commander in chief, for ditto	500	0	0
William Russell	78	7	2
Representatives of Robert Loft	81	12	10
James Robertson, surveyor	2500	0	0
Hire of pioneers	2100	0	0
Lodging-money 20th dragoons	600	0	0
Commander in chief, for colonel M'Murdo, &c.	560	0	0
Reverend Thomas Warren	140	0	0
Thomas Wills	50	0	0
Ditto, for cloth, &c.	50	0	0
J. Wintle	150	0	0
Naval officer	50	0	0
Elizabeth Sylvester	50	0	0
James Killi Kelly	22	10	0
Alexander Gowie	153	0	0
Lieutenant-colonel M'Murdo	136	6	11
J. M. Dwyer	4	10	0
Thomas Cockburn	310	0	0
20th light dragoons pay	23,204	2	4
Additional troop, two years due	4393	13	10
Ditto, one year's pay and subsistence, to 25th December	2196	16	11
	29,794	13	1
Wm. Dawes Quarrell	842	14	5
Ditto	2970	12	0 $\frac{1}{2}$
Dito	5000	0	0
Arkinson and company, contractors	3253	7	1
Commissioners of accounts, expences	638	15	0
	122,995	16	9

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ACCOUNT



Slaves, flock, &c. on  
tax-rolls.

## ACCOUNT of slaves, flock, acres of land, land and poll-tax rolls, for 1798.

	Slaves.	Stock.	Acres.	Land-tax			Poll-tax.		
				l.	s.	d.	l.	s.	d.
St. Andrew - -	12,172	4,354	87,324	2,183	2	2	6,980	5	0
St. Ann - -	18,593	24,341	202,840	5,071	0	0	12,799	5	0
St. Catherine - -	6,357	4,725	60,692	1,517	6	4	5,914	2	6
Clarendon - -	18,648	14,674	202,772	5,421	14	0	11,412	10	0
St. David - -	4,424	1,556	31,837	795	18	6	2,424	10	0
St. Dorothy - -	4,882	3,475	38,007	950	3	6	3,110	7	6
St. Elizabeth - -	17,177	27,401	284,118	7,102	19	0	12,488	0	0
St. George - -	9,436	5,148	110,960	2,774	0	3	5,405	5	0
Hanover - -	22,573	15,633	103,411	2,585	5	10	13,392	12	6
St. James - -	23,954	14,464	140,779	3,519	9	7	15,393	15	0
St. John - -	6,119	2,695	67,587	1,689	13	9	3,396	7	6
Kingston - -	5,534	730	4,957	123	18	8	13,252	0	0
St. Mary - -	24,559	16,196	112,725	2,818	2	7	14,584	5	0
Portland - -	6,836	2,856	53,187	1,329	13	6	3,939	17	6
Port-Royal - -	3,401	590	21,302	532	11	0	2,218	15	0
St. Thomas in the East	26,417	12,434	145,955	3,648	17	6	15,074	15	0
St. Thomas in the Vale	9,581	5,811	79,013	1,975	6	7	5,564	17	6
Trelawny - -	26,550	16,973	166,938	4,173	9	3	16,660	2	6
Vere - -	9,885	6,629	79,444	1,986	2	1	5,949	6	11
Westmorland - -	19,636	19,362	150,547	3,763	13	6	13,064	8	0
Total - -	276,734	200,047	2,144,395	53,962	7	7	183,055	7	5

## Resolved,

That the house do agree to the report.

## Ordered,

3253l. 7s. 1d. to At-  
kinson, Mure, Bo-  
gle, and company.

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom the poll-tax bill stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 3253l. 7s. 1d. to Atkinson, Mure, Bogle, and company, agreeably to the report from the commissioners appointed by law, for stating and settling the public accounts, of this day.

## Ordered,

638l. 15s. to com-  
missioners of public  
accounts.

That it be an instruction to the committee of the whole house, to whom the poll-tax bill stands committed, to receive a clause for paying the sum of 638l. 15s. to the order of a board of the commissioners appointed by law, for stating and settling the public accounts; being the amount of certain expences, accrued under directions from the said commissioners, as by their report of this day.

Prize-goods bill  
committed;

The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill for the relief of the captors of prizes, with respect to the bringing and landing certain prize-goods in this island:

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, left the chair.

Mr. Cockburn took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, resumed the chair.Report to be re-  
ceived this day three  
months.

Mr. Cockburn, from the committee, acquainted the house, that the committee had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto, which they had directed him to report to the house, when the house will be pleased to receive the same:

## Ordered,

That the report be received this day three months.

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The house, according to order, resolved itself into a committee of the whole house, upon the bill for raising a tax by the poll, and on trades, supercargoes, and masters of vessels, and on offices and houses, and on certain wheel-carriages; and applying the same to several uses: Poll-tax bill committed.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, left the chair.

Mr. Perry took the chair of the committee.

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, resumed the chair.

Mr. Perry, from the committee, reported, that they had gone through the bill, and had made several amendments thereto, which he read in his place, and delivered in at the table, with the bill; where being again severally read, were agreed unto by the house: Reported.

Ordered,

That the said bill, with the amendments, be engrossed, and that the title be, Engrossed.  
*"An act for raising a tax by the poll, and on trades, supercargoes, and masters of vessels, and on offices and houses, and on certain wheel-carriages, and applying the same to several uses."*

Ordered,

That the receiver-general do, out of any monies which may be in his hands unappropriated, apply the sum of 50,000*l.* to the order of the commander in chief, towards the pay and subsistence of the two thousand men, expected to arrive in this island, for the permanent defence thereof, and for providing accommodations for them in the interior; and that this or any future assembly will make good the same. Vote to commander in chief, on account of troops for permanent defence.

The serjeant at arms being called to the bar, and asked by Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, whether he had executed the warrant directed by the house, on the 6th instant, to be issued, for taking into his custody the body of Robert Whitfinch, collecting constable for the parish of St. Thomas in the East, informed the house, that he had executed the same, but that the said Robert Whitfinch was confined to his house by severe indisposition, and could not be removed. Return to writ against R. Whitfinch.

Ordered,

That the secretary of this island do cause an act passed in 1793, entitled, *"An act for the relief of the captors of prizes, with respect to the bringing and landing certain prize-goods in this island,"* and also the 8th and 23d clauses of the bill entitled, *"An act to oblige the several inhabitants of this island, to provide themselves with a sufficient number of white men, white women, or white children, or pay certain sums of money in case they shall be deficient, and for applying the same to several uses,"* so soon as the same shall have passed the several branches of the legislature, to be published in the Royal Gazette, the St. Jago Gazette, and the Cornwall Chronicle, for one month. Order for printing laws in newspapers.

Three messages from his honour the lieutenant-governor, by his secretary, as follows:

*First message.*

"MR. SPEAKER,

"I am commanded by his honour the lieutenant-governor to inform the Message from his house.



honour, respecting  
military posts in the  
interior.

house, in answer to their message of the 9th instant, that he will examine, with due attention, the representations which any individuals may make, on the subject of military posts to be placed in the interior of this island."

Second message.

MR. SPEAKER,

Message from his  
honour, with

"I am commanded by his honour the lieutenant-governor to lay before the house, two extracts of letters, addressed to his honour, from his grace the duke of Portland; the one dated the 11th of July, the other dated the 23d of August, 1798:

"His honour lays these papers now before the house, that gentlemen may have an opportunity to consider the subject with the attention which it deserves."

Extract of a letter from his grace the duke of Portland to the earl of Balcarres, dated Whitehall, July 11th, 1798.

Extract of a letter  
from the duke of  
Portland.

"Upon the other circumstances which you have stated in your's of the 30th April, there remains no point of any moment for consideration, but the increasing alarm occasioned by the outrages committed by the runaway slaves: And, as your dispatches, which are now before me, will not suffer me to doubt, that the wisdom of the legislature will dispose it to act with an energy, fully equal to the purposes I pointed out to you in my letter of the 15th ultimo, I cannot but look with confidence to a speedy and decisive stop being put to the lawless proceedings of the banditti: It is impossible to escape the penetration of the legislature, that such evils as those you have to encounter, cannot be too soon put an end to, and that the most vigorous and prompt exertions should be made for that purpose, because every day's delay increases the evil, multiplies the difficulty of getting the better of it beyond the power of calculation, and necessarily brings on a crisis of the most formidable and imminent danger.

"I am convinced that not a moment will have been lost by your lordship, in collecting all the force which you may have deemed requisite for the extinction of this disturbance, and that you will have met with the fullest and most zealous co-operation on the part of the legislature; the respectable branches of which can have but one general and common interest, in suppressing every sort of commotion, and in upholding and maintaining that constitution, and good order of things, under which they have enjoyed, and under which alone they can retain, the possession of those advantages and that happiness, which are not to be experienced under any form of government but our own.

"I so entirely concur with your lordship in opinion, concerning the necessity of employing a body of trusty negroes, in conjunction with your European troops, on such a service as the pursuit of the runaway slaves into their last recesses and retreats, that I cannot but repeat the regret I have so often expressed to you, that the island should have thought it necessary to disembody the few companies they possessed of that description of troops, and whom I cannot but conceive they had the power, and the means, of rendering eminently serviceable on almost every occasion.

"Your lordship will be the best judge, whether any colonial establishment, of the kind I have been speaking of, is practicable, and whether it may not be possible to



to obtain an act to be passed, for enrolling, in the several parishes throughout the island, a certain number of negroes, who should be trained and exercised to the use of arms, on one or more days in the week, but should continue in the service of their masters, except when called out by the governor, for the express purposes of suppressing or preventing sudden acts of outrage, and other disorders, within the island; on which occasion they should be supported at the public charge, in whatever part of the island they should happen to be employed."

\* *Extract of a letter from his grace the duke of Portland to the earl of Balcarres, dated Whitehall, August the 23d, 1798.*

\* By my letter of the 11th of July, your lordship will find that our ideas concur Another. exactly, respecting the importance of establishing a permanent force in Jamaica, to be composed of trusty slaves, in each parish, to be called out only in certain cases; it will soon be seen, by the communication of my suggestions on this measure, how far they correspond with the inclinations of your legislature; but I cannot help thinking, that the establishment I have proposed, which, from its nature, may easily be kept on a very narrow scale, would be full as secure, and infinitely less expensive, than the companies of colour now proposed to be raised by the assembly."

*Third message.*

"MR. SPEAKER,

"I am commanded by his honour the lieutenant-governor to lay before the house, a letter dated Nova-Scotia, 25th of January, 1799, from sir John Wentworth, received this day, and which accompanies sundry accounts of monies expended, for the support and settlement of the maroons in that province. Message from his honour, with

"MY LORD,

*Halifax, Nova-Scotia, 25th January, 1799.*

"I have been some time waiting a conveyance, which I now embrace, to transmit accounts of monies disbursed by me, on account of the government of the island of Jamaica, for the support and settlement of the maroons, sent to this province by that legislature. Upon this occasion, I can safely aver the integrity, prudence, and necessity of the expenditure; for the amount whereof, and for their future necessities, I rely with perfect confidence on the wisdom, justice, and liberality of that respectable community, to provide: The estates purchased of messieurs Cochrans, and of Beamish, were by Mr. Quarrell; were paid for by me: These, and also those bought of Wallace, Ferguson, Campbell, &c. are the most beneficial arrangements towards enabling the maroons to expedite their own support, as the labour and buildings on them do not, in the sale of said property, repay the late owners at the rate of one shilling per day; whereas, it cost them more than four shillings upon an average, and must have exceeded that, had we employed men in clearing, cultivating, and building, on the wild lands, which must have been done, but for these very fortunate purchases; for it is impossible for people to exist in this climate, where we have seven months winter, without warm buildings: It is also to be observed, that all the estates bought, will sell for more than they cost. Letter from sir John Wentworth.

"The expences will be greatly diminished for the year now in progress: The greater part of those white people engaged by Mr. Quarrell are suppressed, or largely



reduced in their allowances: The maroons are, nearly all, sensible that they have been deceived by those who persuaded them not to labour, and are now proceeding to work, whereby they will, in due time, be able to maintain themselves, except a few old people, orphans, and widows, who must also, in course of time, relieve that part of the expence.

‘I have the honour to be, with great respect, my lord, your lordship’s most humble servant,

‘ J. WENTWORTH.

‘ *The right honourable earl Balcarres, lieutenant-governor of Jamaica.*”

*Ordered,*

That the consideration of the above several messages be postponed till to-morrow.

Then the house adjourned till to-morrow morning, nine of the clock.

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By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Notes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.

KEAN OSBORN, *Speaker, pro tempore.*

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Jovis, 14<sup>o</sup> die Martii, 1799.

Poll-tax bill passed.

THE engrossed bill *for raising a tax by the poll, and on trades, supercargoes, and masters of vessels, and on offices and houses, and on certain wheel-carriages; and applying the same to several uses*, was read the third time:

*Resolved,*

That the said bill do pass:

*Ordered,*

That Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Reid, Mr. Fitch, Mr. Mowat, Mr. Perry, and Mr. Turner, be a committee to carry the above engrossed bill to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

*Ordered,*

That the following message be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

“ MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

Message to his honour, respecting prize-agents.

“ *We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to request that you will be pleased to give directions to the attorney-general, to prosecute all prize agents who shall not, within three months, pay over to the receiver-general, the duties on prize-goods sold by them respectively; and also to enforce the said law regularly in future; and also to prosecute the register of the court of vice-admiralty, for not complying with the said law.*”

*Ordered,*

That Mr. Cockburn and Mr. Turner be a committee to wait on his honour with the



the above message; who returning, reported the delivery thereof, and that his honour was pleased to say, he would give directions accordingly.

Mr. Fitch, in his place, moved for leave to bring in a bill to repeal an act entitled, "An act for raising three companies of woodmen, to be employed internally, for the defence of this island; and for other purposes;" which was received, and read the first time:

Bill to repeal woodmen law presented.

*Ordered,*

That the said bill be read a second time, this day.

The house adjourned for one quarter of an hour:

Adjournment.

And being met;

The bill to repeal an act entitled, "An act for raising three companies of woodmen, to be employed internally, for the defence of this island; and for other purposes," was read a second time:

Bill to repeal woodmen law, read second time;

*Ordered,*

That the said bill be engrossed.

Engrossed.

The house adjourned for one quarter of an hour:

Adjournment.

And being met;

The engrossed bill to repeal an act entitled, "An act for raising three companies of woodmen, to be employed internally, for the defence of this island; and for other purposes," was read the third time:

Bill to repeal woodmen law passed.

*Resolved,*

That the said bill do pass.

*Ordered,*

That Mr. Redwood and Mr. Fuller be a committee to carry the above engrossed bill to the council, and desire their concurrence thereto; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

*Ordered,*

That the two following messages be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor:

*First message.*

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

"We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to inform you, that they have taken into their most serious consideration, the two extracts of letters from his grace the duke of Portland, dated the 11th of July and 23d of August, 1798, sent down to the house in your honour's second message of yesterday, and are unanimously of opinion, that the embodying and arming slaves of any description, in this island, in the manner therein mentioned, is a measure fraught with the most alarming and dangerous consequences to the tranquillity and safety of this valuable colony; and to which measure, neither this, nor, as they trust, any future assembly, can ever assent, or give their countenance."

Message to his honour, on duke of Portland's letters.

*Second message.*

"MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOUR,

"We are ordered by the house to wait on your honour, and to inform you, that

Message to his  
the



honour, on fir John  
Wentworth's letter.

*the house will take into consideration, early next session, your honour's third message of yesterday, with the papers from fir John Wentworth."*

*Ordered,*

That Mr. Shaw and Mr. Dawson be a committee to wait on his honour with the above two messages; who returning, reported the delivery thereof.

*Ordered,*

Order for printing  
laws.

That the secretary of this island do cause the following laws, so soon as they shall have passed the several branches of the legislature, to be printed, by the printer to this house:

*"An act for raising a tax by the poll, and on trades, supercargoes, and masters of vessels, and on offices and houses, and on certain wheel-carriages; and applying the same to several uses:"*—One copy whereof to be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor, and to each member of the council and assembly; one copy to each magistrate, clerk of the peace, clerk of the vestry, and collecting constable; six copies to the receiver-general, and one copy to each of his deputies.

*"An act to oblige the several inhabitants of this island, to provide themselves with a sufficient number of white men, white women, or white children, or pay certain sums of money in case they shall be deficient, and applying the same to several uses:"*—One copy whereof to be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor, and to each member of the council and assembly; one copy to each magistrate, clerk of the peace, clerk of the vestry, and collecting constable; six copies to the receiver-general, and one copy to each of his deputies.

*"An act for establishing regulations respecting persons of a certain description, arriving in this island, or resident therein, in certain cases:"*—One copy whereof to be sent to his honour the lieutenant-governor, and to each member of the council and assembly; one copy to each magistrate, clerk of the peace, and clerk of the vestry; six copies to the provost-marshal-general, and one copy to each of his deputies; six copies to the naval officer, and one copy to each of his deputies; and one copy to each collector and comptroller of the customs, at the several ports throughout the island.

*"An act to prevent any intercourse and communication between the slaves of this island, and foreign slaves of a certain description; and for other purposes:"*—One copy whereof to be sent to his honour the lieutenant governor, and to each member of the council and assembly; one copy to each magistrate, clerk of the peace, and clerk of the vestry; six copies to the provost-marshal-general, and one copy to each of his deputies; six copies to the naval officer, and one copy to each of his deputies; and one copy to each collector and comptroller of the customs, at the several ports throughout the island.

Order for publishing  
laws in newspapers.

And that he do cause the following laws to be published in the Royal Gazette, the St. Jago Gazette, and the Cornwall Chronicle, for one month.

*"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act for laying a duty on all negro-slaves that shall be imported into this island, from the coast of Africa, who shall be above a certain age; and for regulating the manner of ascertaining such age.'"*

*"An act to repeal two several acts, one passed on the 25th day of March, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-six, entitled, 'An act to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise several sums of money for the public service; and for other purposes;' and the other passed the twenty-first day of December, in the said year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-six, entitled, 'An act to alter and amend an act entitled, 'An act to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise several sums of money for the public service; and for other purposes;' and to enable certain commissioners*



tioners therein named, to raise certain sums of money for the public service, at an interest not exceeding eight pounds per centum, in order to pay off and discharge the public certificates now due and outstanding, bearing interest at ten pounds per centum."

And that he do also deliver to the printer to this house, a copy of the act entitled, "*An act to prevent any int recourse and communication between the slaves of this island, and foreign slaves of a certain description; and for other purposes;*" in order that the said printer may cause the same to be translated into, and printed in, the French language; and that copies thereof be distributed, in such number and manner as shall be directed by the commissioners for stating and settling the public accounts; also a copy of the sixth clause of an act entitled, "*An act for establishing regulations respecting persons of a certain description, arriving in this island, or resident therein, in certain cases;*" in order that the same may be translated into the said language, and be published in the Royal Gazette, for one month.

Foreign slave law  
to be printed in  
French;

and 6th clause of  
alien law.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed, to inspect the gaols, hospitals, and workhouses, in the county of Middlesex; during the recess, and to make a report thereof to the house, early in the next session:

Committee to in-  
spect gaols, &c. in  
Middlesex;

Ordered,

That Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Redwood, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Cuthbert, Mr. Rofs, Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. Henckell, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Atkinson, Mr. Turner, Mr. Thompson, Mr. Quier, Mr. Fullerton, Mr. Henry, Mr. Grant, and Mr. Murphy, be a committee for that purpose.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed, to inspect the gaols, hospitals, and workhouses, in the county of Surrey, during the recess, and to make a report thereof to the house, early in the next session:

in Surrey;

Ordered,

That Mr. Fitch, Mr. Jaques, Mr. Christie, Mr. Barnett, Mr. Cockburn, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Shirley, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Osborn, Mr. Bryan, Mr. Fuller, Mr. Deans, and Mr. Telfer, be a committee for that purpose.

A motion being made, that a committee be appointed, to inspect the gaols, hospitals, and workhouses, in the county of Cornwall, during the recess, and to make a report thereof to the house, early in the next session:

in Cornwall;

Ordered,

That Mr. Finlayson, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Spooner, Mr. Swaby, Mr. Reid, Mr. Tharp, Mr. Mowat, Mr. Perry, Mr. Stewart, and Mr. Francklyn, be a committee for that purpose.

Ordered,

That Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Redwood, Mr. Lyon, Mr. Chief-Justice, Mr. Cuthbert, and Mr. Rofs, be a committee, during the recess, to inspect into and examine the several books and papers in the speaker's chamber; and that the said committee, or any two of them, together with the clerk, do examine the said books once in every quarter; and that Mr. Wills be ordered to brush them once in every month.

Committee to in-  
spect books and pa-  
pers in speaker's  
chamber.

Ordered,

That Mr. Perry have leave of absence for twelve months.

Leave of absence to  
Mr. Perry.

A message from his honour the lieutenant-governor, by his secretary, as follows:

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" Mr.



“ MR. SPEAKER,

Message from his honour, in reply to resolutions of the house, of 21st December last.

“ I am commanded by his honour the lieutenant-governor to inform the house, that he has observed, amongst the printed votes of the house, certain resolutions adopted on the 21st of December last; and although these resolutions have not been presented to him, yet his honour thinks that he ought not to be precluded from having an opportunity of replying to them :

“ His honour adheres to the opinion which he has repeatedly advanced, respecting the insufficiency of the laws in existence, which were made for the purpose of ridding this country of the French slaves in the interior of the island; and his honour desires, that the house will hereafter do him the justice to remember, that he has uniformly maintained these sentiments; and, perhaps the time is not very far distant, when the same opinion may be universally received and acknowledged, from a perfect conviction of its propriety, and may be countenanced by no less an authority, than the voice of the law itself :

“ With respect to the last resolution, his honour repeats the assertion, contained in his answer to their address of the 11th of December last, in which he communicated to the house, ‘ that none of the French slaves had been admitted into the interior by any passport from him, nor did he think it advisable or prudent, to give such a measure his countenance in any shape whatsoever.’

“ His honour is so well satisfied as to the propriety and correctness of this information, in all its extent, that he is confident that the force of the facts, mentioned in that part of his answer, is not diminished in the slightest degree, by any thing disclosed in the evidence referred to in that resolution; and it is a duty which his honour owes to himself to declare, that the whole of his conduct, respecting all the French slaves, has been strictly legal and constitutional.”

Ordered,

That the above message do lie on the table, to be perused by the members.

Message to attend his honour.

A message from his honour the lieutenant-governor, in council, by the provost-marshal, commanding, in the king's name, the immediate attendance of the whole house, in the council-chamber:

Whereupon, Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, and the whole house, went up; when his honour was pleased to give his assent to the following bills:

His honour's assent to bills.

“ An act for raising a tax by the poll, and on trades, supercargoes, and masters of vessels, and on offices and houses, and on certain wheel-carriages; and applying the same to several uses.”

“ An act to oblige the several inhabitants of this island, to provide themselves with a sufficient number of white men, white women, or white children, or pay certain sums of money in case they shall be deficient; and applying the same to several uses.”

“ An act to prevent any intercourse and communication between the slaves of this island, and foreign slaves of a certain description; and for other purposes.”

“ An act for establishing regulations respecting persons of a certain description, arriving in this island, or resident therein, in certain cases.”

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"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act for laying a duty on all negro slaves that shall be imported into this island from the coast of Africa, who shall be above a certain age; and for regulating the manner of ascertaining such age.'"

"An act for annulling so much of an act of this island, of the twenty-first of George the second, chapter the sixth, as gives power to the bishop of London, to exercise ordinary jurisdiction in this island, as far as the same appertains to the ecclesiastical regimen of the clergy only; and for repealing the eleventh clause of one other act of this island, of the thirty-third of Charles the second, chapter the eighteenth."

"An act to repeal two several acts, one passed on the twenty-fifth day of March, in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-six, entitled, 'An act to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise several sums of money for the public service; and for other purposes;' and the other passed the twenty-first day of December, in the said year one thousand seven hundred and ninety six, entitled, 'An act to alter and amend an act entitled, 'An act to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise several sums of money for the public service; and for other purposes;' and to enable certain commissioners therein named, to raise certain sums of money for the public service, at an interest not exceeding eight pounds per centum, in order to pay off and discharge the public certificates now due and outstanding, bearing interest at ten pounds per centum.'"

"An act to repeal part of an act entitled, 'An act for making Kingston a parish;' for ascertaining and fixing the boundaries of the said parish of Kingston; and for granting compensation to the parish of St. Andrew."

"An act to rescind, and make void in law, the meaning, force, and construction, of certain words contained in the second clause of an act, passed in the year one thousand seven hundred and ninety-eight, entitled, 'An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to regulate wharfage and storage,' so far as the said act relates to the public wharves in the county of Cornwall.'"

"An act to repeal an act entitled, 'An act for raising three companies of woodmen, to be employed internally, for the defence of this island; and for other purposes.'"

And then his honour was pleased to make the following speech:

His honour's speech

"GENTLEMEN OF THE COUNCIL,

"MR. SPEAKER, AND GENTLEMEN OF THE ASSEMBLY,

"I have given my consent to all the bills which have been laid before me; but I cannot refrain from expressing to you, that a sense of my duty to his majesty obliged me, on many former occasions, to call your attention to the situation of those unfortunate individuals, who have been compelled, by the unforeseen events of war, to seek refuge in this island.

"I should have ill discharged the trust which is reposed in me, if I had not earnestly represented to you, the peculiar circumstances which attended their arrival: You are possessed of all the information I could give you on that subject, and nothing but the sincere desire which actuates me, to contribute my endeavours to complete a measure, which the general voice conceives to be requisite, as a matter of local regulation, could have induced me, at this present juncture, to have acceded to the whole of the plan, contained in the law enacting certain regulations respecting foreign slaves.

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*" Although the line of conduct which I have pursued, is attended with some very unpleasant embarrassments to myself, in the general discharge of my duty, yet the weight of those difficulties is considerably alleviated, by reflecting that I have constantly been influenced by a true spirit of cordial regard for this important colony.*

*" MR. SPEAKER, AND GENTLEMEN OF THE ASSEMBLY,*

*" It is highly gratifying and flattering to me, that I have the happiness of transmitting to England your proceedings, respecting the paying and subsisting the first and fourth battalions of the 60th regiment, on the conditions specified in your resolutions of the 28th November, 1797: I sincerely hope and believe, that the measure you have provided for, will be attended with the happiest effects, both to the mother country and this valuable island.*

*" GENTLEMEN OF THE COUNCIL,*

*" MR. SPEAKER, AND GENTLEMEN OF THE ASSEMBLY,*

*" In granting you a recess from the labours of a session, assembled from necessity, and at an unusual season of the year, I have only to lament the inconveniencies which must have arisen to your private concerns.*

*" I thank you for the assiduity and zeal with which you have discharged your respective duties.*

House prorogued.

*" I do therefore now, in his majesty's name, prorogue this general assembly to the sixteenth day of April next, and it is prorogued accordingly."*

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*By virtue of an order of the house, I do appoint Alexander Aikman to print these Notes, and that no other person do presume to print the same.*

*KEAN OSBORN, Speaker, pro tempore.*

END OF THE SIXTH SESSION.

APPENDIX.



# A P P E N D I X.

## No. I.

No. 1.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To RETREAT PEN, late the property of Robert Brereton, esquire, deceased,  
for pioneers for the 63d regiment, Dr.

TO 5 pioneers, furnished from 25th December, 1797, to the 31st December, 1798, inclusive, 1.  
at 3s. 4d. per day each, equal to 1 pioneer for 1860 days - - - 3 0

Spanish-Town, 28th February, 1799.

I certify that the above five negroes were hired by me, at the rate and stated time as specified in this account, from Thomas Cockburn, esquire, as trustee to the property of Mrs. Robson, to serve as pioneers to the 63d regiment, by permission of the commander in chief; which pioneers having been on the strength of the 63d regiment, their daily pay at the rate of 8½d. sterling per day each, was paid by the paymaster of the regiment into the hands of the receiver-general, amounting to the sum of 92l. 4s. 6d. currency.

ROBERT BRERETON, lieutenant-colonel 63d regiment.

## No. 2.

Return of LODGING employed by the officers of his majesty's cavalry regiment of YORK HUSSARS,  
from 28th August to 31st December, 1798, both days inclusive.

Lieutenant colonel commanding, Baron Frederick de Jossa, from 28th August to 31st December, 1798, at 50l. per annum	l.	s.	d.
Captain Comte Dubouchet, from ditto to ditto, at 20l. per annum	7	8	0
Captain Baron Desclimiedern, from ditto to ditto, at ditto	7	8	0
Captain Frederick Rinker, from ditto to ditto, at ditto	7	8	0
Captain P. Howard, from ditto to ditto, at ditto	7	8	0
Lieutenant J. R. Burgefs, from ditto to ditto, at ditto	7	8	0
Lieutenant Peter Willemoney, from ditto to ditto, at ditto	7	8	0
Surgeon Thomas Anderson, from ditto to ditto, at ditto	7	8	0
Lieutenant Richard Ehrbourger, from ditto to ditto, at ditto	7	8	0
Lieutenant P. Henriette, from ditto to ditto, at ditto	7	8	0
Lieutenant A. Trallebaut, from ditto to ditto, at ditto	7	8	0
Lieutenant J. Trailebaut, from ditto to ditto, at ditto	7	8	0
Lieutenant J. Loevre, from ditto to ditto, at ditto	7	8	0
Lieutenant P. Salvé, from ditto to ditto, at ditto	7	8	0
Cornet M. Orth, from ditto to ditto, at ditto	7	8	0
Cornet P. Poincy, from ditto to ditto, at ditto	7	8	0
			Cornet



Cornet A. Rerry, from 28th August to 31st December, 1798, at 20*l.* per annum  
 Cornet C. Choifelle, from ditto to ditto, at ditto

<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
7	8	0
7	8	0

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GEORGE MURRAY.

F. DE JOSSA, lieutenant-colonel commanding.  
 Kingston, Jamaica, the 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 1798.

Received of lieutenant-colonel M<sup>o</sup> Murdo, deputy quartermaster-general, the sum of 145*l.* 1*s.* 3*d.* being the allowance for lodging to the officers of his majesty's cavalry regiment, from 28th August to 31st December, 1798, inclusive, paid by order of the commander in chief, for which I have signed four receipts of this date.

F. RINKER, captain and paymaster to the York hussars.

No. 3.

THE PUBLIC OF JAMAICA,

To JOHN MICHAEL DWYER, Dr.

For translating and transcribing sundry Spanish letters, of public concern, by order of his honour the lieutenant-governor, since the last session of assembly; namely,

1799.

Jan. 8. A long letter from Arturio O'Neill, the Spanish commander near the Bay of Honduras (the loss of the Barbara, surrender of Capt. Dundas, and other prisoners, &c.), with three inclosures

12. A letter from Gayetano Truxillo Zaballos, confined here as prisoner of war

*l.**s.*

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J. M. DWYER.

JAMAICA, *ss.*

The within signed John Michael Dwyer being duly sworn, maketh oath, that his account there stated is just and true.

J. M. DWYER.

Sworn before me, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of March, 1799.

JAS. LEWIS.

## No. II.

THE HONOURABLE THE COMMITTEE, for printing the journals of the house of assembly,

To WILLIAM MIDDLETON JAMES, Dr.

For transcribing the remaining part of book No. 19 of the minutes, 556 pages of copy paper

No. 20	1021
No. 21	1038
No. 22	717
No. 23	872
No. 24	557
No. 25	422
No. 26	496
No. 27	498
No. 28	830

<i>l.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
6987	pages, at 1 <i>s.</i> 3 <i>d.</i>	436 13 9

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THE HONOURABLE COMMITTEE, for printing the journals of the house,

To ALEXANDER AIKMAN,

Dr.

To printing 200 copies of the second volume, on fine wove demy, 192 sheets, at 7l. 10s. per sheet, per 100	7
To ditto 200 copies, third volume, 177 sheets, at ditto	2,880
To ditto 200 copies, fourth volume, 181 sheets, at ditto	2,655
To ditto 200 copies, fifth volume, 166 sheets, at ditto	2,715
	2,490
	10,740

Gr.

By grant in session, 1793	500
By ditto in ditto, 1794	700
By ditto in ditto, 1796	800
By ditto in ditto, 1797	4,000—6,000
Balance due A. Aikman	4,740

Spanish-Town, March 6, 1799.

## No. III.

ACCOUNT of sundry expences incurred by the honourable the COMMISSIONERS OF POLICE, at Kingston, 1798.

	l.	s.	d.
To amount of Alexander Aikman's account for printing, books, binding, &c.	139	5	0
Amount of Meyer and Schutze, for stationary	6	14	7
Amount of Thomas Richardson's account, for chairs	6	0	0
Six months salary, to 15th February, 1799, to Mr. Lauzon	150	0	0
Ditto ditto, ditto, to P. Muloniere	100	0	0
Office rent	50	0	0
	451	19	7

HENRY SHIRLEY,  
KEAN OSBORN,  
JOHN JAQUES.

HONOURABLE COMMISSIONERS OF POLICE, Kingston,

To ALEXANDER AIKMAN,

Dr.

1798.

	l.	s.
July 31. To printing 200 copies proclamation, under the alien act, on folio demy, with the king's arms, in English	10	0
To ditto 200 ditto ditto, on ditto, with ditto, in French	15	0
Aug. 6. To 2 copies of the foreign slave act, 10s.—1 ditto alien ditto, 10s.	1	0
11. To printing and ruling, on four sides medium, 4 quires registers for white people, under the alien act, at 55s. per quire	11	0
To binding same, in one volume	1	15
To printing and ruling, on four sides foolscap, 4 quires registers for negroes, at 30s. per quire	6	0
To binding same, in one volume	1	0
To printing 2000, or 84 quires, police certificates, one on a sheet of foolscap, with the king's arms, at 20s. per quire	84	0
	To	



	To 36 copies of the alien act	-	-	-	-	-	-	l.	s.
								6	0
Sept. 8.	To 1 long folio alphabet	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0
Oct. 13.	To printing on quarto demy, with the king's arms, 100 bills, notice from the commissioners, to those entitled to tickets, in French	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	10
								139	5

## COMMISSIONERS OF POLICE,

To MEYER &amp; SCHUTZE,

Dr.

1798.								l.	s.	d.
Aug. 12.	To 5 quires of foolscap	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	12	6
	To 6 ditto of 4to post	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	15	0
	To 6 ditto of folio post	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	6
	To $\frac{1}{4}$ hundred quills, 6s. 8d.— $\frac{1}{2}$ hundred of pens, 6s. 8d.	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	13	4
	To 1 large ink-stand	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	13	4
	To 1 pounce-box, 6s. 8d.—1 folder, 3s. 4d.	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	10	0
	To 6 pencils, 7s. 6d.—2 sticks wax, 1s. 8d.	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	9	2
	To 1 pen-knife, 6s. 8d.—2 rulers, 7s. 6d.	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	14	2
	To 1 sand-box and sand, 5s.—1 file, 2s. 6d.	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	7	6
	To wafers, 2s. 6d.—1 bottle Japan ink, 3s. 4d.	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	5	10
Oct. 15.	To $\frac{1}{4}$ hundred of quills	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	6	8
	To 1 sheet of vellum paper	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	1	3
24.	To 1 quire book	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	3	4
								6	14	7

KEAN OSEORN, *esquire*, for the commissioners of police,

Bought of THOMAS RICHARDSON.

1798.								l.
Aug. 15.	6 low-back chairs	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
Received the above.								

THOMAS RICHARDSON.



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*THE Proceedings and Matters of this Session are, in the Index hereto, arranged in the following manner:*

1. ACCOUNTS and DEMANDS against the public:

Presented, but not reported the last session.

2. ACCOUNTS and DEMANDS against the public:

Presented, and reported by the committee to whom first referred, the last session.

In appropriate Columns is expressed the page of the Votes in which the accounts are reported, severally, by the committee to whom first referred, and finally.

3. ACCOUNTS against the public:

The names of the public creditors are placed *alphabetically*, and after each name is expressed the nature of the account, with the letter M. which signifies being sent in a message from the lieutenant-governor: Under the several Columns are inserted the respective stages of their progress, until they are *finally* reported, and in the last Column the number of the Appendix in which they will be found, is pointed out by a numeral letter.

4. ADDRESS to his honour the lieutenant-governor.

5. BILLS, private.

6. BILLS, public; for raising money for the public service.

7. BILLS, public; relating to general matters.

The bills under each of the above Heads, are *alphabetically* classed, according to their designation or titles, and the particular purport immediately after expressed: The page of the votes for each *regular* stage of the Bills, is exhibited in the Column adapted to that purpose; to the right of the last Column are noticed *incidental proceedings or occurrences*, which are likewise referred to in the several stages, by corresponding marks: Where any proceedings have taken place, previous to ordering in the Bill, they form a distinct article among the MISCELLANEOUS.

8. ELECTIONS:

Under this Head are noticed applications for Writs, also circumstances relative to Controverted Elections.

9. LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR:

Under this Head are contained matters of communication between his Honour and the House.

*Note.* In several instances it has been judged most proper to notice Messages from and to his Honour, under the article to which they immediately applied; in which cases they are here omitted, to avoid repetition.

10. TROOPS:

All general matters relating to the Troops are noticed under this Head, according to the respective description of Troops.

11. MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES:

Containing, in *alphabetical order*, other matters not included under any of the foregoing Heads.

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## ACCOUNTS and DEMANDS against the Public:

*Presented, but not reported, the last session.*

NAMES OF PUBLIC CREDITORS.	Reported		NAMES OF PUBLIC CREDITORS.	Reported	
	By commit. to whom first referred.	Finally.		By commit. to whom first referred.	Finally.
AIKMAN, Alexander - -	20	55	LIGHT dragoons, 20th regiment of, of-	20	54
ANDERSON, James - -	15	15	ficers of - -	20	54
ANDERSON, James - -			LUNAN and Lewis - -		
ATKINSON, Mure, and Bogle -	84	04	LYON, James, and company -	29	55
BENNETT, John Thomas William	29	54	MACFARLANE and Forrester -	30	56
BRISBANE, Alexander -	31	31	MACLACHLAN, Lachlan, and lady	31	31
COWARD, George Fletcher -	30	55	Elizabeth Stuart, per attorney		
CUNINGHAME and Fergusson	29	55	MARCH, Thomas - -	17	17
DANCE, William - -	29	55	ROBINSON, surgeon John -	17	17
DICKSON, David, the executor of	29	55	SAMUDA, Benjamin - -	30	56
DICKSON, Robert - -	31	31	SMITH, James - -	15	30
DOESON, John - -	30	56	STEVENSON and Aikman -	29	55
FANNIN, James - -	29	55	STEWART, James - -	30	56
FLEMING, Edward - -	31	31	STEWART, James - -	30	56
FORBES, Alexander - -	15	15	STEWART, James - -	30	56
GURLEY, David - -	29	55	STEWART, James - -	30	56
GOWIE, Alexander - -	54	68	STUART, lady Elizabeth; v. MacLach-	30	56
HENDERSON, John, per attorney	30	56	lan, Lachlan.		
KILLIKELLY, James - -	67	68	WHITE, John - -	30	56
LARGIE, doctor John - -	31	31	WHITE, Patrick - -	30	56
LAWSON, doctor James - -	30	57	WOODHAM, the reverend Robert Stanton	30	56
LIGHT dragoons, 20th regiment of	30	56			

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# ACCOUNTS and DEMANDS against the Public:

*Presented, and reported by the committee to whom first referred, the last session.*

NAMES OF PUBLIC CREDITORS.	Finally Reported.	NAMES OF PUBLIC CREDITORS.	Finally Reported.
ADOLPHUS, Simon	17	GIRDWOOD, Alexander	22
ALEEN, Isaac	21	GLEESON, Mary	21
ANDERSON, John, guardians of	22	GOULD, major Augustus	20
ANGUS, William	16	GOULD, major Augustus	20
ARTILLERY, royal, officers of	26	GREEN, Patrick	25
ATKINSON, Matthew, receiver for Windsor- Castle estate	27	GRENADERS of second battalion of King- ston militia	57
ATKINSON, Matthew, secretary of the island	19	HAMMONDS, William	19
ATKINSON, Mure, and Bogle	19	HART, James	25
BAKER, James	15	HAWTHORN and Campbell	27
BARRON, Patrick	21	HENDERSON, John, per attorney	18
BECKFORD, Peter, attorney of	21	HILL, Richard	16
BRODBELT and Lee	18	INNES, George	19
BROWN, William, attorney for Fontabel estate, in Trelawny	25	ISLAND store-keeper	20
BRYDON, James	18	JOHNSON, George Robert	18
BULLOCK, William	18	JOHNSON, lieutenant Walter	19
BUTTER, major	20	JOHNSTON, Thomas	16
BUTTER, major	20	JONES, James	20
CAMPBELL, Donald	17	JOSEPHS, Judith	27
CAMPBELL, Donald	19	KEIGHLEY, James J. mortgagee in possession of certain estates, per attorney	21
CAMPBELL, Donald	57	KERR, George	31
CLOUGH, Hugh	20	LIGHT dragoons, 13th regiment of	20
CODNER, John	26	LIGHT dragoons, 13th regiment of	20
COHEN, Hyem	26	LIND, Charles	19
COLLETT, William	16	M'DONALD, John	17
COLLINS, William, and company	17	M'GHIE, James	24
CONNOR, Bryan	22	M'MURDO, lieutenant-colonel	19
CUNNINGHAM, John, and Son	16	MAIN, Robert; v. Powney, lieutenant Penny- stone.	
DWYER, John Michael	20	MELHADO, Abraham	18
FENWICK, William	17	MITCHELL, John	27
FISHER, John, representatives of	25	MORGAN, Elizabeth	17
FLEMING, William	22	MORRISON, James	25
GALE, Edward Morant, per attorney	25	NELSON, Lewis	26
GALLOWAY, James, and company	26	NEWLAND, John	25
GAVIN, William	26	PALLMER, Charles Nicholas	18
GAYNER and Manderfon	21	PERRY, John	16
GAYNER and Manderfon	21	PERRY, John	16
GILLMOUR, William	27	PINNOCK, James Disimore	18
GILPIN, Thomas	16		

POWELL,



# ACCOUNTS, } POWELL (Caleb) - - - YORK hussars. (officers of)

Names of Public Creditors.	Finally Reported.	Names of Public Creditors.	Finally Reported.
POWELL, Caleb	26	TOMLINSON, William	26
POWNEY, lieutenant Pennystone	19	TRELAWNY, justices and vestry of	15
RANKIN, Alexander	22	TRELAWNY workhouse	15
REGIMENT, 6cth, 4th battalion	20	WADE, James	25
REGIMENT, 63d	20	WADE, James	25
REGIMENT, 63d, officers of	27	WALKER, John	16
REGIMENT, 83d	20	WALKER, doctor James	16
REGIMENT, 83d, officers of	20	WARREN, Thomas	25
ROBERTS, John, the executor of	18	WATSON and Appleton	16
ROSE, Alexander	26	WATSON, John	24
ROSS, William	18 & 22	WEBB, William	22
ROWE, Charles	22	WEDDERBURN, James, administrator of	21
SAINT James's workhouse	17	WEDDERBURN, James, administrator of	21
SCARLETT, Elizabeth and Mary, per guardian	26	WESTMORLAND, justices and vestry of	17
SCHROETER, John Henry	18	WESTMORLAND, justices and vestry of	26
SHAKESPEAR, David	21	WHITE, John	57
SMITH, John	16	WHITE, John	57
SMYTHE, Francis George, per attorney	24	WHITE, John	57
STORER, Anthony, per attorney	21	WHITE, John	57
TAYLOR, Thomas Weir	57	WHITE, John	21
TENISON, Benjamin	18	WHITE, John	57
THARP, John, per attorney	24	WHITE, John	57
THOMAS, Martha	18	WHITE, Patrick	21
THOMSON, George	17	WITHERS, Michael	26
THOMSON, Robert	17 & 27		

## ACCOUNTS against the Public.

Names of Public Creditors; <i>And nature of the accounts.</i>	Presented.	Referred.	Reported		No. of Appendix.
			By commit. to whom first referred.	Finally.	
DWYER, John Michael: Translating Spanish dispatches; M. 3	36	36	54	69	I.
ROBSON, Mrs. Hire of pioneers for 63d regiment, M. 1	36	36	54	69	I.
YORK hussars, officers of: Lodging-money, M. 2	36	36	54	69	I.

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ADDRESS



## ADDRESS—BILLS, PUBLIC.

### A D D R E S S

To his honour the lieutenant-governor, for his speech on opening the session; ordered, 2; presented, 4; committed, 4; considered, 4; reported, 4; ordered to be engrossed, 4; read, 6; passed, 6; presented to his honour, 7; answered, 7.

### BILLS, PRIVATE.

Designation and purport.	Ordered.	Presented, and read first time.	Read second time.	Committed.	Considered.	Reported.	Ordered to be engrossed.	Read third time.	Passed.	Sent up.	Assented to.	INCIDENTAL PROCEEDINGS, or OCCURRENCES.
AMENDED CORNWALL WHARFAGE—for annulling part of a clause in the act for increasing the rates of wharfage in the county of Cornwall	52	52					52	59	60	66*	102	* Leave granted a member to petition the council on the passage of this bill, 72.
FORT-BALCARRES — for demolishing the fort at Falmouth, called Fort-Balcarres, and for erecting another fort in a different situation.	7	60	60		69†							† Report postponed, 70.
KINGSTON AND SAINT ANDREW'S MUTUAL BOUNDARY — for annexing certain lands in Saint Andrew to the parish of Kingston, and for making compensation to the parish of Saint Andrew	32	32	32		35	35	35	36	36	52†	102	† Leave granted members to petition council on the passage of this bill, 59.

### BILLS, PUBLIC;

*For raising money for the public service.*

D signation.													
DEFICIENCY — for asselling certain sums on proprietors not providing white persons at a prescribed ratio for their slaves and stock	7	9	9	10	77§	81	82	82	83	83	84	102	§ Progress reported, 77    Certain clauses to be published, 95; to be printed, 100.



**BILLS, } — EIGHT *per cent.* loan — — PRIZE goods —**  
*public.*

<i>Continued.</i>	Ordered.	Presented, and read first time.	Read second time.	Committed.	Considered.	Reported.	Ordered to be engrossed.	Read third time.	Passed.	Sent up.	Assented to.	INCIDENTAL PROCEEDINGS, or OCCURRENCES.	
EIGHT <i>per cent.</i> LOAN—for appointing commissioners to borrow money at an interest, after the rate of 8 <i>l. per cen-</i> <i>tum</i> , for discharging certifi- cates bearing interest at 10 <i>l.</i> <i>per centum</i>	54	66	66	67		82	82	82	83	84	84*	102	* To be published, 100.
POLL-TAX — for assessing a certain tax <i>per head</i> , on slaves, &c.	7	9	10	10		95	95	95	98	98	98†	102	† To be printed, 100.

**B I L L S, P U B L I C;**

*Relating to general matters.*

Designation and purport.													
AMENDED NEW NEGRO DUTY — for amending the act which imposes an extra additional duty on slaves imported into this island, who shall be above a certain age	5	32	34					34	37	37	52*	102	* To be published, 100.
ALIEN—for establishing regulations relative to the arrival and residence in this island of certain foreign persons	5	29	29	29		35	37†	37	52	52	52†	102	† Motion to amend bill, negatived, 37. — † Amendments proposed by council, to one of which, house agree, and to the others, disagree, 71; bill returned to council, 76; to be printed, 100; a certain clause to be translated into the French language, and published, 101.
ECCLESIASTICAL JURISDICTION — for repealing such parts of acts, as confer on the bishop of London jurisdiction over the ecclesiastical regimen of the clergy of this island	74	76	77					77	77	78	84	102	
FOREIGN SLAVE—to prohibit, except on restricted conditions, the residence of certain slaves in this island	5	24	29	29	33—34	35	35	36	36	52§	102		§ Amendments proposed by council, to which house disagree, 71; Bill returned to council, 76; to be printed, 100; to be translated into the French language, and published, 101.
PRIZE GOODS—for amending the act for the relief of captors of prizes landing certain prize goods in this island	33	34	60	60		94 <sup>a</sup>							A report from the commissioners of public accounts, relative to duties on prize goods, referred to committee, 61.— <sup>a</sup> Report postponed, 94.



— — **BILLS, public** - - **LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR** — —

<i>Continued.</i>	Ordered.	Presented, and read first time.	Read second time.	Committed.	Considered.	Reported.	Ordered to be engrossed.	Read third time.	Passed.	Sent up.	Assented to.	INCIDENTAL PROCEEDINGS or OCCURRENCES.
WOODMEN REPEAL—for repealing the act for raising three companies of free persons of colour, to be employed internally for the defence of the island	99	99					99	99	99	99	102	

**ELECTIONS.**

**PORT-Royal :**

Message to the lieutenant-governor, requesting that a new writ might issue for the parish of Port-Royal, in the room of Oliver Hering, esquire, whose seat the house had vacated, 23.

**TRELAWNY :**

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, lays before the house, a letter from the agent of John Beaufin Irving, esquire, declining all further proceedings in the scrutiny demanded by him, upon the late election in Trelawny, 3.

**LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.**

His honour's speech on opening the session, 2 : House in a grand committee thereon, who report two resolutions, to which house agree, 7.

His honour's leave for the house to adjourn, as they shall think proper, communicated by Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, 23.

A message from his honour, requesting that several messages and papers, sent by him to the house the last session, may be taken into consideration the present session, 8 ; which is referred to state of the island, *ibid.* : On recommendation from whom, house resolve to send a message to his honour, acquainting him that they will proceed therein as requested, *ibid.* ; which is sent up, *ibid.*

A message from his honour, stating services rendered by certain military officers, and of expences they had incurred thereby, 72 ; which is referred to state of the island, 73 : On recommendation from whom, 560*l.* voted to defray such expences, 74 ; and house resolve to send a message to his honour, expressive of the sense they entertain of the services rendered by the officers mentioned in his message, *ibid.* ; which is sent up, 75.

House resolve to send a message to his honour, informing him, that they adhere to their message to the late lieutenant-governor Williamson, of the 20th October, 1792, 74 ; which is sent up, 76.

A message from his honour, on the subject-matter of certain resolutions of the house in the last session, relative to French slaves in the island, 102 ; which is ordered to lie on the table, *ibid.*

His honour commands the attendance of the house in the council-chamber, and assents to ten bills, 102 : Makes a speech, and prorogues the assembly, 103.

**TROOPS.**



## T R O O P S.

A message from the lieutenant-governor, with an extract of a letter from the secretary of state, referring to a former dispatch relative to the force of 2000 men, to be permanently attached to the service of the island, 27: His honour, in one other message, informs the house, that he had sent from the island twelve privates of the 60th regiment, as not coming within the description of men desired by the island, 28: His honour, in a message, reminds the house, that one of the leading points in the secretary of state's dispatch, relative to the force of 2000 men, is the placing them in the interior of the island, and requests arrangements to be made, with respect to barracks and other requisites, 51: The same severally referred to state of the island, 28 and 52: House resolve, on recommendation of committee on state of the island, that the application of the house, for a force of 2000 men in addition to the British forces to be stationed here, was intended to acquire a permanent defence; and, by their being settled in the interior, to increase population, 62: Committee on state of the island report as their opinion, that it is expedient to accept two battalions of the 60th regiment, offered by his majesty, in lieu of 2000 men particularly described in the resolutions of the house, in a former session, in addition to the forces usually stationed here; to which house agree, after motion made, and negatived on division, to adopt a different resolution, *ibid.*: Same committee further report their opinion, that the expence for pay and subsistence of such two battalions ought to be borne by this island; to which house agree, after motion made, and negatived on division, to adopt a different resolution, 63: Also, that to render the said battalions competent to the purposes intended, that such of the men as may be exceptionable should be removed, and be replaced by others not so, *ibid.*; to which house agree, after motion made, and negatived on division, to adopt a different resolution, 64: And further, that as the men of the said battalions will be entitled to small settlements in the interior, at the expiration of their term of enlistment, measures ought to be provided, to prevent the settlement of all of them at the same time; to which house agree, after motion made, and negatived on division, to adopt a different resolution, *ibid.*: The committee further report their opinion, that although the said battalions are afforded on condition of being changed at the king's pleasure, reliance should be had, that such change will not take place but in case of necessity wherein the island shall be implicated; to which house agree, on debate, 65: And also, that arrangements should be made, with respect to the expenditure for the pay and subsistence of the said battalions; to which house agree, on debate, *ibid.*: A committee appointed for that and other purposes relative to the said battalions, *ibid.*: Committee on state of the island report their opinion, that the said battalions should be quartered in the interior of each county, and that barracks should be provided; to which house agree, on debate, *ibid.*: Resolutions of the house, relative to the said battalions to be laid before the lieutenant-governor, *ibid.*; and to be published, 66: Delivery of resolutions to his honour reported, 67: Special committee make a report, containing several recommendations; to which house agree, 78: Report to be published, 79: A copy thereof sent to the lieutenant-governor, 84: 50,000*l.* voted to the order of the commander in chief, towards defraying the pay and subsistence, and providing accommodations for the 2000 men expected to arrive, as a permanent force, for the service of the island, 95.

A message from the lieutenant-governor, signifying that he had sent from the island, all the privates of colour of the 5th West-India regiment; also the regiment of French negroes which had arrived at Port-Royal, in December last, 27.

Committee for settling public accounts submit to the house, the purchasing of negroes as pioneers for the different regiments; which is referred to committee on state of the island, 54: A message from the lieutenant-governor, recommending to the consideration of the house, the case of invalid pioneers, 70; which is referred to same committee, 71; who recommend that the same be taken into consideration early next session, 74: 175*l.* per month voted for the hire of pioneers, 74: Lieutenant-governor informed, that the house will, early next session, take into consideration the case of invalid pioneers, 75.

Sundry sums granted for the pay and subsistence of the 20th light dragoons, 69: Additional lodging-money voted the officers of the same corps, 74: Motion that the house do declare their opinion, that the island should be not longer burthened with the expence of the 20th light dragoons, negatived, on division, 75.—  
v. LIGHT dragoons, 20th regiment of.

4000*l.* voted towards defraying the expences of the regimental hospitals, 81.

A message from the lieutenant-governor, with extracts of letters from the duke of Portland, expressing his grace's opinion on the establishment of slave corps within this island, 96: House send a message to his honour, expressing an opinion of the dangerous consequences which may result from adopting such a measure, 99.



## MISCELLANEOUS ARTICLES.

### ACCOUNTS, public books of:

House desire the lieutenant-governor to direct the receiver-general to attend them with the, 3.

### ACCOUNTS:

Referred to committees the last session, to be proceeded in, 3.

### ADJOURN; v. LIEUTENANT-governor.

### ADMIRAL'S pen:

Motion made, that 900*l.* be granted for repairing the buildings at the, and ordered to lie three days on the table, 77; which is again read, and agreed to, 84.

### APOSTLES-Battery:

Repairs necessary at the, reported by board of works, 50.

### ARMS:

5000*l.* sterling granted, in addition to former grants, for the purchase of 5000 stand of, for the use of the militia, 82.

### ASSEMBLY; v. HOUSE.

### BATH of Saint Thomas the Apostle:

Motion made, that 250*l.* be granted for the repairs of the hospital and bathing-house at the, and ordered to lie three days on the table, 35; which is again read, and agreed to, 51: Sundry sums granted to the commissioners of the, to defray the usual annual expences, 80. 81.—v. DANCER, doctor Thomas.—WILES, James.

### BOARD of police:

Message from lieutenant-governor, with accounts of expences attending the, at Kingston; and informing the house of appointments made under the commissioners of police at Port-Royal, 70; which are referred to state of the island, 71; who recommend the payment of sundry sums accrued due, 73.

### BOARD of works:

Report made from the commissioners of the, 40—50; which is referred to state of the island, 50; who recommend that the balance of 13,000*l.* voted for building a gaol in Surrey, be carried to the general credit of the board, 73.—v. CLARENDON barracks.

### BOTANIC garden in Liguanea:

Report made by committee appointed to examine the condition of the, 79; which is referred to state of the island, 80; who recommend that 500*l.* be granted for its further support, *ibid.*

### BOTANIC gardens:

Committee appointed to inspect the, during the recess, 80; 200*l.* granted to the clerk to the committee, for salary, &c. for 1798, 81.

### BRERETON, lieutenant-colonel; v. LIEUTENANT-governor.

### BRISBANE, Alexander:

State of the island recommend that 140*l.* be paid to, in compensation for losses he sustained by depredations of rebellious runaway slaves, 31.

### BRYAN, Mr.; v. MEMBERS.

### BULLOCK, Edward; v. CLERK of the crown.

### BURGESS, Henry:

State of the island recommend that 50*l.* be paid to, agreeably to the prayer of his petition presented last session, 15.

### BUSINESS, private; v. PRIVATE business.

### CALL of the house ordered, 5.

### CHAPLAIN to the house:

Motion made, that 140*l.* be granted to the, for his extra trouble this session, and ordered to lie three days on the table, 58; which is again read, and agreed to, 67.

CHRISTIE,



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CHRISTIE, Mr.; v. MEMBERS.

CLARENDON barracks:

Report from board of works, relative to monies due tradesmen for the repairs of the, 37—40; which is referred to state of the island, 50; on recommendation from whom, certain sums granted in payment, 73.

CLERK of the crown:

State of the island recommend 200*l.* *per annum* to be allowed the, to defray his extra expences in attending the assize-courts, 31.

CLERK to the house:

Motion made, that 700*l.* be granted to the, for his extra trouble this session, and ordered to lie three days on the table, 57; which is again read, and agreed to, 67.

COLLECTING constables:

Debts due by the several, reported by commissioners of accounts, 88.—v. GOULBURN, Thomas.—WHITFINCH, Robert.

CONTINGENCIES:

List of, provided for under various laws, 87; under the several money-bills of this session, 88—93.

COMMISSIONERS of public accounts:

Report from a committee to whom was referred, in the last session, a petition from the secretary to the, 15; which is referred to state of the island, *ibid.*: Report from the, recommending a repeal of the ten *per cent.* loan acts, 53: Report the state of the funds, taxes, contingencies, &c. with an estimate of ways and means, 84—94: Recommend provision being made, to reimburse certain expences of office incurred, 85; which is agreed to, 94.—v. COLLECTING constables, *supra.*—PRIZE goods duties.—REGISTER of the court of admiralty.

COMMISSIONERS of correspondence:

Clerk to the, ordered to send to the house all their books, papers, &c. 3.

COMMITTEES:

All standing, of the late session, revived, 3.

COMMITTEES,

To whom petitions and accounts were referred the last session, to proceed in the examination and settlement of the same, 3.

COUNCIL:

274*l.* 15*s.* granted to the order of the, to compensate the loss of their officers, in consequence of passing the general privilege act, in favour of people of colour, 81.

DANCER, doctor Thomas:

200*l.* granted to, for his care of the Botanic Garden at Bath, and 50*l.* for his care of the nurseries of South-Sea plants, 80.

DEBTS:

List of, due by the public, to 30th September, 1798, 96.

DEDIMUS; v. SPEAKER, *pro tempore.*

DICKSON, Robert:

State of the island recommend that 300*l.* be paid to, in compensation for losses he sustained by depredations of rebellious runaway slaves, 31.

DOBBIN, Clotworthy:

On recommendation of state of the island, prayer of the petition of, presented last session, denied, 57.

DOUGLAS, Charles, superintendant of Moore-Town maroons:

On recommendation of state of the island, 50*l.* granted to, for lodging-money for 1798, 15.

DRAGON hospital:

Repairs necessary at the, reported by board of works, 50.

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DRAGOON stables:

Repairs necessary at the, reported by board of works, 50.

FALMOUTH:

Leave given to bring in a bill, agreeably to the report last session, on a petition of the freeholders and inhabitants of, 6.

FLEMING, Edward:

On recommendation of state of the island, prayer of the petition of, presented last session, denied, 31.

FORT-Augusta:

Repairs necessary at, reported by board of works, 50.

FRAZER, William; v. ISLAND engineer.

FRENCH slaves; v. LIEUTENANT-governor.

GAOLS:

Committees appointed to inspect the several, 101.—v. KINGSTON gaol.—SURREY gaol.

GIBSON, lieutenant-colonel; v. LIEUTENANT-governor.

GOULBURN, Thomas, collecting constable for Vere,

Ordered to attend at the bar of the house, 23: Order for his attendance discharged, 83.

GRANT, John:

68% granted to, for defraying certain expences incurred, while acting as captain of a company of black shot, 83.

HALL, sergeant:

On recommendation of state of the island, grants made to, for services rendered the public, 23.

HERING, Mr.; v. MEMBERS.

HIGGINS, Bryan, M.D.:

Observations made by, on the manufacture of sugar, since the publication of his last treatise on that subject, to be printed, and disposed of for the information and benefit of the public, 23: 350<sup>l</sup>. per quarter, during the year 1799, granted to, *ibid*.

HOSPITALS:

Committees appointed to inspect the several, 101.

HOUSE

Meet, according to proclamation, 1: Attend the lieutenant-governor, in the council-chamber, *ibid*.: Again, when his honour assents to ten bills, 102: Prorogued, 103.—v. CALL of the house.—JOURNALS of the house.—RULES.

ISLAND engineer:

10s. per day, during the year 1798, granted to the, for contingent expences; also island subsistence and lodging-money, 81.

JOURNALS of the house:

Mr. Mitchell added to the committee to collect and revise the, 34: Report from committee, 53; agreeably to which, certain sums granted on account of printing, and for transcripts, *ibid*.

KING'S house:

Repairs necessary at the, reported by board of works, 50.

KINGSTON barracks:

Repairs necessary at the, reported by board of works, 50.

KINGSTON gaol:

Repairs necessary at the, reported by board of works, 50.—v. BOARD of works.

LAWS, original:

Secretary of the island ordered to send the, to the house, 3.

LEWIS,



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**— LEWIS (James) — PRIZE goods duties —**

LEWIS, James, esquire; v. CLERK to the house.

LIGHT dragoons, 20th regiment of:

4s6d. granted for the hire of pioneers for, 81.

LYON, Benjamin, esquire; v. SERGEANT at arms.

M'LAINÉ, Lachlan:

89l. 6s. 8d. granted to, for defraying certain expences incurred, while acting as captain of a company of black shot, 83.

M'MURDO, lieutenant-colonel; v. LIEUTENANT-governor.

M'PHERSON, Donald:

Consideration of the report on the petition of, presented in a former session, postponed, 73.

MAROON-Towns:

Superintendants of certain of the, allowed an increase of salary, 31.

MAROONS at Halifax:

Motion made, for allowing compensation to the clerk to the committee, to whom were referred last session, several documents relative to the, and ordered to lie three days on the table, 36; which is again read, and agreed to, 51: Committee on state of the island report, that they see no reasons at present, to alter the resolution of the house, of 21st December, 1797, relative to the, to which house agree, and resolve to send a copy of such report to the lieutenant-governor, 54; which is sent up, 60: A message from the lieutenant-governor, with a letter from sir John Wentworth, relative to expences incurred on account of the, 97: House inform his honour, by message, that they will, next session, take the same into consideration, 99.

MEMBERS:

Leave of absence granted to one, 3: Seat of one vacated, 23: Leave of absence granted to one, 75; to one other, 83; to one other, for twelve months, 101.

MESSAGES; v. LIEUTENANT-governor.

MITCHELL, Mr.; v. JOURNALS of the house.

NAVAL officer:

Motion made, for paying 50l. to the, for his trouble in making a return of the produce of the island, exported within a certain time, and ordered to lie three days on the table, 58; which is again read, and agreed to, 68.

OSBORN, Kean, esquire; v. SPEAKER, *pro tempore*.

PACKET:

A message to the lieutenant-governor, requesting that he will postpone the sailing of the, 9.

PERRY, Mr.; v. MEMBERS.

PETITIONS

Referred to committees the last session, to be proceeded in, 3.

POLICE, board of; v. BOARD of police.

PORT-Royal barracks and hospital:

Repairs necessary at, reported by board of works, 50.

PRIVATE business:

House resolve not to receive any, during the session, 5.

PRIZE goods duties:

A report from commissioners of accounts relative to, 60; which is referred to committee of whole house, to whom a bill stands committed, 61: Same commissioners recommend that a message be sent to the lieutenant-governor, requesting that all prize agents who shall not pay the, in a limited time, may be prosecuted, 85; to which house agree, 94: Message sent up, 98: Act of 1793, relative to, to be published, 95.  
—v. REGISTER of the court of admiralty.



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PRIZES — — ROADS — —

PRIZES; v. REGISTER of the court of admiralty.

PUBLIC accounts:

Motion made, for allowing compensation to the clerk to the committee for settling the, and ordered to lie three days on the table, 34; which is again read, and agreed to, 51.

PUBLIC accounts, commissioners of; v. COMMISSIONERS of public accounts.

PUBLIC books of accounts; v. ACCOUNTS, public books of.

PUBLIC buildings:

Repairs necessary at the, reported by board of works, 50.

QUARRELL, William Dawes, esquire:

Sundry firms voted to, for services rendered the island, and for expences and charges thereby incurred, 69.

QUESTIONS,

Negatived, 37. 63. 64. 75.

RECEIVER-general; v. ACCOUNTS, public books of.

REEDER, John, a free black man:

State of the island recommend that he be allowed 12*l.* annually, for certain public services, 31.

REGISTER of the court of admiralty:

Message to the lieutenant-governor, requesting that the, be directed to attend the house with the books of sales of prizes condemned during the present war, 51: Commissioners of public accounts recommend that a message be sent to the lieutenant-governor, requesting that the, may be prosecuted, for not complying with an act relative to duties on prize goods, 85; to which house agree, 94: Message sent up, 98.

RESOLUTIONS of the house; v. LIEUTENANT-governor.

ROAD from Montego-Bay to Saint Ann:

Commissioners added for laying out former grants made for repairs of the, 59.

ROADS, grants for:

In SURREY, 10. 11:

Towards completing the new road to Cold-Spring, in the parish of St. Andrew	£. 130
Towards completing a new road from Stoney-Hill to Annotto-Bay	300
Towards making a new road to avoid the rising and falling of a high hill, on the road from Mount-Charles to Wag-Water	100
Towards completing a road from Tate's gate to Mahogany-Hall	200
Towards completing the road from Tranquillity to Hope-River	400
Towards completing the road from Charles-Town to Tranquillity	100
For removing two rocks on the road from Swift-River mountain, down Swift-River	70
Towards repairing the road from Eden to Silver-Hill	500
Towards making a new road from Annotto-Bay, to form a junction with the Dry-River road	200
Towards repairing the road from Fox's plantation, in St. Andrew, to Dry-River, in St. George	200
Towards completing the new road, from the Dry-River road, to the church, court-house, and place of muster, at Buff-Bay	200
Towards repairing the road from Swift-River to Hope-Bay	100
Towards repairing the road from Llandewy to the tenth mile-stone, on the windward road	300
Towards repairing the road from the Bath road, through Old Nanny-Town, to the Swift-River road	300
Towards repairing the Bath road from Seaman's Valley, to the top of the hill	200
Towards repairing the road from Rio-Grande, through Stanton Harcourt and Windfor, to Seaman's Valley	200
Towards repairing the road from M'Eachern's plantation, to join the Port-Antonio road	300
Towards repairing the road to Bath, from the top of the hill, on the Seaman's Valley road	200

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In MIDDLESEX, 11—13:

Towards repairing the Luidas road, in the parish of St. John	£.100
Towards repairing the Guanaboa road, in the parish of St. John	400
Towards completing the Crescent road, in the parish of St. John	100
Towards repairing the Indian-River road, in the parish of St. Thomas in the Vale	150
Towards repairing the Williamsfield road, in the parish of St. Thomas in the Vale	200
Towards repairing the Ludlow road, in the parish of Clarendon	150
Towards repairing the Main-Ridge road, in the parish of Clarendon	150
Towards completing the road over the cock-pits, in the parish of Vere	400
Towards repairing the Parker's Vale road, in the parish of St. Mary	150
Towards repairing the road from Glengoffe's, in St. Thomas in the Vale, into the parish of St. Mary	150
Towards repairing the Aleppo road, in the parish of St. Mary	150
Towards repairing the Richmond road, in the parish of St. Mary	200
Towards repairing the Indian-River road, in the parish of St. Mary	150
Towards repairing the Orange-River road, in the parish of St. Mary	100
Towards completing the Mortar-Hall road, in the parish of St. Mary	200
Towards repairing the road from Lewisburgh works, to join the Koningsburgh road, in the parish of St. Mary	100
Towards repairing the road leading from Hunter's mountain, in the parish of St. Mary	50
Towards repairing the Guy's Hill road, in the parish of St. Mary	250
Towards repairing the Belmont road, in the parish of St. Mary	50
Towards repairing the Hopewell road, in the parish of St. Mary	50
Towards repairing the road from Palmeto-Grove, to Guy's Hill, in the parish of St. Mary	100
Towards completing the Winefield road, in the parish of St. Ann	250
Towards completing the Pedro-River road, in the parish of St. Ann	400
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In CORNWALL, 13. 14.

Towards completing the Chesterfield road, in the parish of St. Elizabeth	£.200
Towards completing the Eldersley road, in the parish of St. Elizabeth	200
Towards completing the Mile-Gully road, in the parish of St. Elizabeth	200
Towards completing the road over Mayday-hill, in the parish of St. Elizabeth	200
Towards completing the road from Parker's Bay to Lenox plantation, commonly called the Bogue road, in Westmorland	150
Towards completing the road from the Frame, in Westmorland, over the hills above Dean's Valley, to Carpenter's Hill	200
Towards completing the road leading through Darliston and Lenox, in Westmorland, to the line of St. Elizabeth	200
Towards completing the road leading from the line of St. Elizabeth, through Culloden, &c. to Robin's River, in Westmorland	250
For completing the road from Flint-River, through Kildare, to intersect the road to Content, in lady Clarke's pen, in Hanover	300
Towards making a road from Tom's Spring, to Buxton, in Hanover	500
Towards completing the Chesterfield road, in the parish of St. James	200
Towards completing the Eldersley road, in the parish of St. James	200
Towards completing the road lately opened from the stone bridge over Great-River, across the Chesterfield road, and to meet a road to be opened in Trelawny, to Norman's Valley	400
Towards making a road from the intersection of the Dromilly road, to the bridge near the Spring-head, and from thence to the dividing-line of Trelawny and St. James, near Blue-Hole, in Norman's Valley	300
Towards completing the road from the settlement called the Alps, in Trelawny, leading to Hector's River, in St. Elizabeth	300

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Towards completing the road from Biddeford, in Trelawny, to the intersection of the line of St. Ann,  
commonly called Foss's road

200

4000

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ROADS in Saint Ann:

Motions made, for grants of money towards completing three, and ordered to lie three days on the table, 33;  
which being again read, are, on debate, agreed to, 61. 62.

ROBERTSON, James:

State of the island recommend that 2500*l.* be secured to, for having performed a map of the county of Middlesex: And that he be allowed interest, during the year 1799, thereon, and on 2500*l.* already secured for the performance of a map of the county of Surrey, 73.

ROSS, William, captain of Fort-Haldane:

On recommendation of state of the island, prayer of the petition of, presented last session, to be allowed a boat and negroes, denied, 31.

RULES:

Those of the last session to be the standing, of the house, this session, 3.

RUNAWAY rebellious slaves:

Extract of a letter from the duke of Portland sent down by the lieutenant-governor, in which is expressed his grace's opinion respecting the, 96.—*v.* SAINT Elizabeth.

SAINT Ann's roads; *v.* ROADS in Saint Ann.

SAINT Elizabeth:

Petition of the freeholders and inhabitants of, stating dangers which attend settlers in the district between One-Eye estate and the borders of Clarendon, by means of depredations of rebellious runaway slaves, 4;  
which is referred to a committee, 5; who report thereon, and which is referred to state of the island, 24;  
who recommend that a message be sent to the lieutenant-governor, requesting the aid of regular troops, in protecting such settlers, 69: Message sent up, 72: His honour sends a message, in reply, 95.

SAINT John:

Additional commissioners appointed for laying out money granted for the roads in, 66.

SCHROETER, John Henry, captain of Fort Balcarras:

On recommendation of state of the island, 200*l.* granted to, for services rendered the public, 73.

SECRET committee of safety:

Motion made, that compensation be allowed their clerk, 58; also sergeant at arms, for executing their orders, *ibid.*: Both motions ordered to lie three days on the table, *ibid.*: Evidence taken before committee, last session, to be printed, and annexed to the votes of that session, 59: Motions for compensation to sergeant at arms, and clerk to committee, again severally read, and agreed to, 68.

SERGEANT at arms:

Motion made, that 400*l.* be granted to, for his extra trouble this session, 57; which is ordered to lie three days on the table, 58: Being again read, is agreed to, 67.—*v.* SECRET committee of safety.

SMITH, James; *v.* COMMISSIONERS of public accounts.

SPANISH-Town new barracks:

Repairs necessary at the, reported by board of works, 50.

SPEAKER, Mr.:

Members being met, are informed that, is incapable of attending, 1.

SPEAKER, *pro tempore*:

Members request lieutenant-governor's leave to choose a, which is granted, 1: Kean Osborn, esquire, chosen, presented, and approved, *ibid.*: A *dedimus* brought down, empowering the, to administer the oaths to such members as have not been already sworn, 2.—*v.* VOTES.

SPEAKER'S



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SPEAKER'S chamber:

Committee appointed to inspect the books in the, 101.

SPEAKER'S tables; *v.* WILLS, Thomas.

STATE of the island:

House resolve to go into a grand committee on the, 3: All reports, petitions, and accounts, which stood referred to the committee on the, at the time of the last prorogation, to be inquired into, *ibid.*: Report one resolution, 8; report eighty-six resolutions, 15; report thirty-three resolutions, 24; report eleven resolutions, 30; report twenty-nine resolutions, 54; report eight resolutions, 62; report ten resolutions, 68; report sixteen resolutions, 73.

STONEY-Hill barracks:

Repairs necessary at, reported by board of works, 50.

SUGAR, manufacture of; *v.* HIGGINS, Bryan, M. D.

SURREY gaol:

Report of the board of works respecting the, 40; which is referred to state of the island, 50.—*v.* BOARD of works.—KINGSTON gaol.

SWABY, Mr.; *v.* MEMBERS.

SYLVESTER, Elizabeth:

Motion made, for paying 50*l.* to, in consideration of services performed by serjeant Hanlon, during the maroon rebellion, and ordered to lie three days on the table, 59; which is again read, and agreed to, 68.

TAXES:

Report of the proceeds of, 85—94.

VOTES:

Mr. Speaker, *pro tempore*, to authorize the printing of the, 4.

WALLEN, Thomas:

200*l.* granted to, for services rendered while commissary of-musters, 22.

WARREN, Thomas, the reverend; *v.* CHAPLAIN to the house.

WATKINS, Mary:

On recommendation of state of the island, 20*l.* granted to, agreeably to the prayer of her petition, presented last session, 15.

WHITFINCH, Robert, collecting constable for Saint Thomas in the East,

Ordered to attend at the bar of the house, 23: Ordered to be taken into custody, 59: Sergeant at arms informs the house that, from severe indisposition, he could not be removed from his habitation, 95.

WILES, James:

On recommendation of state of the island, the annual allowance of 100*l.* to, for his care of the nursery of plants at Bath, discontinued, 81.

WILLS, Thomas:

Motion made, that 50*l.* be granted to, for his extra trouble this session, 58: Another motion made, for granting 50*l.* to, for his extra expences and trouble in making two cloths for the speaker's tables, *ibid.*: Both motions ordered to lie three days on the table, *ibid.*; which being again severally read, are agreed to, 67. 68.: 25*l.* granted to, for his care of the pew in the church, for the use of the members of the assembly, and for the hire of a servant, 81.

WORKHOUSES:

Committees appointed to inspect the several, 101.



